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SAIPAN HARBOR, Saipan–Marines from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit eat Meals Ready to Eat while working disaster relief efforts after Typhoon Soudelor made landfall on Saipan.

Unruly crowd of 2,000 force the closure of Airport Road

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REPORTER

A desperate crowd of about 2,000 people forced ports police to close the Airport Road when the traffic spilled into the road, fought with each other, and grew angry in the hot sun as they waited for relief goods at the local chapter of the American Red Cross yesterday morning, Red Cross and Commonwealth Ports Authority officials said.

The officials described the event yesterday as "chaotic" and "overwhelming," and said the rush began around 7:30am and shut down by 11am.

Hundreds were turned away. The Red Cross explained they were calling in the first 250 people who had signed up for typhoon relief assistance last week—not the large amount of people

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Oct. 1 is new deadline for DEIS comments

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The U.S Department of Defense has agreed to extend the comment period for the draft environmental impact statement on proposed military joint training and live fire exercises in the CNMI.

Press secretary Ivan Blanco confirmed that the military agreed to the extension request of Gov. Eloy S. Inos. The new deadline is now Oct. 1, 2015.

Craig Whelden, executive director of the U.S. Marine Corps Forces Pacific, in a letter to Inos on Wednesday, said "although your letter requests an extension on the public comment period for the CJMT DEIS until mid-September, in consideration of the difficulties being faced by the citizens of CNMI, I am extending the comment period to Oct. 1

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Hundreds troop to disaster center

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A few hundred residents showed up at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe yesterday, most of them seeking to register for federal assistance.

The hall was earlier designated as a Disaster Recovery Center by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

It opened its doors Wednesday to accommodate typhoon survivors wanting to get supplemental information on financial assistance and small business loans.

Although FEMA emphasized that the DRC was not designed to accommodate registrations for FEMA assistance, many residents showed up anyway to register.

According to Virginia Marquez, the DRC manager, she has no actual numbers on the visitors. She said the DRC accommodated those wanting to register.

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Local

Best Sunshine tackles housing concerns of employees

Casino license holder Best Sunshine International, Ltd. reported that it continues to address housing concerns for hundreds of its employees who were affected by the recent typhoon.

BSI recently opened a temporary casino at the T Galleria in Garapan, employing an estimated 300 individuals, a third of whom are contract workers and the rest are locals.

Mark A. Brown, CEO of BSI, said the company continues to deal with "internal" issues, particularly the housing requirements of its employees.

Typhoon Soudelor devastated Saipan, causing power and water to go out on the whole island. Up to now, power is still nonexistent, while water supply services are slowly being restored.

Brown said one of the challenges for BSI is how to move the employees to suitable housing while the utilities are still out.

Currently, BSI has leases on Mango Resort and Mango Apartments, as well as an apartment in Garapan. Power is out on these company "barracks." These locations were leased for one year.

Matthew Harkness, the company COO, said the contracts of foreign workers include housing and that moving them from hotel to hotel remains a challenge.

Most hotels on Saipan are almost always fully booked, with tourists and local waiting for power to be restored.

Tal Xing of Imperial Pacific Holdings, the mother company of BSI, said the company continues to work with the CNMI government on how to best address the needs of those affected by the typhoon.

Xing said one positive note on the typhoon is that it will show that BSI "is determined to stay."

Casino business

Brown said the temporary casino had to close on the first two days of the typhoon. BSI, however, opted to reopen it again to accommodate visitors and to allow staff to resume work.

However, the planned grand opening of the casino had to be moved from August to "sometime" in October, Brown said.

"The typhoon threw us in a loop," he said.

At the moment, the casino has 10 gaming tables and 48 e-gaming machines in operation. The casino has a total of 106 machines. Most are still being certified before they can be turned on.

BSI is also holding regular meetings with casino regulators. ***(Joel Pinaroc)***

FIESTA DONATION CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Fiesta Resort & Spa donates prepared food and ice to the Salvation Army on Aug. 12, 2015, toward free meals offered during the Typhoon Souledor recovery. Making the donation are Fiesta GM Abner Acosta, second from left, and Fiesta staff.

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Federal funds now ready for CNMI departments

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CNMI government departments can now start tapping federal funding as recovery efforts continue in the wake of Typhoon Soudelor.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency on Wednesday met with local government agencies and eligible non-profit organizations on Capital Hill on how to apply for FEMA's Public Assistance Program.

According to the FEMA, the program "provides federal funds to reimburse a minimum of 75 percent of the costs for removing debris, conducting emergency protective measures, and repairing levees, roads, bridges, public utilities, water control facilities, public buildings and parks. Mitigation funding may be considered in each project category."

William Penn, FEMA external affairs spokesperson, said funding has no cap and that agencies need only to identify their projects.

"But first, they [agencies] have to apply," Penn said.

According to him, all agencies are encouraged to fill out the request for public assistance. After filling out the RPA, representatives from FEMA will have a one-on-one sit-down meeting with the representative of the department.

"We have FEMA specialists whose primary goal is to have these sit-down discussions," Penn said.

According to him, FEMA is expecting applications to start coming in starting yesterday, immediately after the meeting.

Penn said FEMA is emphasizing that the fund requests will have to be "done right and should be legal."

Some of the questions the CNMI departments asked FEMA, according to Penn, is on the bidding of projects. "We want to do it right from the very start, and we hope all departments go for the assistance," he said.

During the briefing, one of the discussions focused on debris removal projects.

According to FEMA, a new system called a "sliding scale" will allow the departments to get higher than 75 percent of the cost share, provided the departments satisfy FEMA requirements.

FEMA said if a department can identify and complete a project in 30 days, the agency can give up to 85 percent share of the costs. If the project extends from 31 to 90 days, the cost share from FEMA will be 80 percent, and if the project goes beyond 90 days, the usual 75 percent cost share will be given.

FEMA, however, cautions that projects that will go beyond 180 days will no longer receive federal funding.

Departments are also encouraged to have a "debris management plan" to avail of the funding assistance.

The FEMA can also help departments make their "estimates" as to project cost, and once a department agrees with the estimate, the funding can be expedited.

However, FEMA cautions that in the event that a department avails of, say $5 million, but exceeds the amount, FEMA will physically close the project and no funding will be made available.

Funding for identified projects are meant to restore project areas to their "pre-disaster" conditions.

Drainage works

Department of Public Works Secretary James Ada, who was at the FEMA meeting, said his department will prioritize ongoing clean-up as well as drainage repairs.

Ada said he has set a meeting with FEMA immediately after the briefing yesterday.

The official cited that Saipan's drainage system needs to be urgently cleaned to avoid the risk of flooding in cases of a heavy downpour.

He said inspections have been conducted and that drainage systems have been found to be severely clogged. Ada said DPW has enough manpower and equipment but will still meet with FEMA for additional funding assistance.

Financial impact

On Wednesday, Gov. Eloy S. Inos held his first meeting with Cabinet heads immediately after the FEMA briefing.

According to press secretary Ivan Blanco, the governor is encouraging all departments to avail of the assistance. The governor was also briefed on ongoing activities and the general situation in the CNMI.

Blanco said the governor is also encouraging government employees to join volunteer groups.

Answering queries from the media, Blanco said the disasters hitting the CNMI will impact government revenues.

"First, the submarine cable, then this typhoon. These will have impacts on government revenues," Blanco said, adding that revenues are likely to take a "significant hit."

While he did not specify dollar figures, Blanco said the Office of the Governor and the Department of Finance are looking "at making some adjustments."

CHCC mobile clinic still ongoing

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REPORTER

Mobile clinics of the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp. and the mobilization of several other health departments under CHCC are still ongoing.

As of yesterday, the Community Guidance Center and the WIC program have been up at the Kagman Community Center while the rest of the mobile clinics stationed themselves at the Office on Aging in China Town.

» CGC to start going house to house for mental health evaluation

Jeremy Sasamoto, CHCC emergency operation center chief and Division of Public Health Immunization manager, said new residents were moved to the two shelters from other areas that were closed.

Sasamoto assured that their clinics will be ongoing so long as there is a need for it.

"We have inpatient pharmacy here, doctors, nurses, HOME visiting, CGC, and other hospital departments and staff doing all the needed help for the mobile clinic. Aside from that, Rota and Tinian hospital staff are here as well," Sasamoto said.

Margaret Aldan, administrator for the Division of Public Health, noted that the clinics are intended to respond to the health needs of residents who are currently staying in shelters.

Several typhoon survivors living in shelters commended CHCC for its major response on health following Typhoon Soudelor.

Medicines were being distributed, doctors on site were attending to patients, and other programs under DPH were assisting in the process.

Up at the Kagman Community Center, WIC program clinic manager Ruth Sablan said that they were focusing on the shelters due to the residents' lack of transportation.

"We're here because we know that people are challenged with transportation so we are here to give our basic services that we usually do at our office. We're reaching out to those who are not able to come to us," Sablan said.

On CGC's side, psychologist Dr. Glenda George, together with CGC evaluation services James Arriola and administrative coordinator Kit Iguel, were assisting with mental health assessment among the shelter victims.

"We started this Monday and initially we went to all the shelters. As of today, many of the shelters have consolidated but we will still be going to all the shelters and doing empowerment and outreach into the community," Arriola said.

CGC distributed supplies, offered meaningful support, helped with coping skills, information on community resources and linkages, and education.

"What we're doing is offering people in the shelters some of the basic information following a natural disaster and our services in anyway that we can help," George said. "This is sort of a mental and behavioral health support."

George noted that they will soon be mobilizing house to house when they are done.

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Marianas Resort, Talaabwogh Stars distribute 100 cases of water, blankets, towels

Mariana Resort & Spa president Yoshihiro Kitami, sixth from left, and general manager Gloria Cavanagh, eighth from right, and staff join community members and the non-profit group Talaabwogh Stars, including their president Malcolm Omar-Castro, far right, in front of the Tanapag church to distribute 100 cases of water, towels, and blankets. JAYSON CAMACHO

Tanapag residents had reason to celebrate yesterday afternoon after Mariana Resort & Spa and Talaabwogh Stars Association distributed water, blankets, and towels to the people of the village.

Executives and staff of the Marpi hotel and Talaabwogh members met up at Tanapag's church with three vans containing 100 towels, blankets, and cases of water and went from door to door giving the items out.

Malcom Omar-Castro, president of Talaabwogh Stars, a non-profit group, volunteered to distribute the items following the devastation wrought by Typhoon Soudelor last Aug. 2.

"Gloria Cavanagh [general manager for Marianas Resort] contacted us looking for volunteers. Since we always partnered up with Mariana Resort on their events and they helped us on fundraisers, so we helped," Castro said.

"We also helped because our NGO used up its stocks to help the community here in Tanapag since the typhoon hit," he added.

Cavanagh said the donated items are their contribution to the community. With Aqua Resort Club and Mariana Resort the only major hotels left in the northern part of Saipan, she said they took it upon themselves to contribute to the community.

Mariana Resort president Yoshihiro Kitami said his company is a local company and their place lies with the northern part of the island that includes San Roque, Marpi, As Matuis, Tanapag, Achugao, and other areas.

"We wanted to help out everybody because we know how hard it is here and some don't have water. We want to help as much as possible and give out to the community," Kitami said.

Mariana Resort also donated their 50-foot water pool at Kan Pacific. Cavanagh said that more than 10,000 gallons were given to the Emergency Operation Center for their use.

Cavanagh, who is also president of the Hotel Association of the Northern Marianas Islands, said other HANMI members are also contributing to the relief assistance. She noted that HANMI will be purchasing $20,000 worth of canned products and boxes of ramen and will be distributing these to all five precincts on Saipan. ***(Jayson Camacho)***

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who lined up yesterday.

"The demand is real…," American Red Cross NMI Chapter executive director John Hirsch said.

CPA executive director Maryann Lizama compared the event to the recent miles-long line of cars waiting at Shell gas stations.

"We had to close the road, redirect traffic because people were walking on the road, standing, waiting in line on the road, and kids moving about, which was unsafe," she said.

Lizama said she diverted three-fourths of her police force down to the Red Cross chapter.

"…It came to a point were people were yelling at each other, pushing, shoving, slapping and punching."

"People were lining up in the heat. Cars were parked all over the shoulders of the road. It was like Shell gas station line in reverse. Operators and passengers heading to the airport were disrupted because they were being careful not to run over anyone."

Lizama said she met with Red Cross and told them that, without an organized system, the whole thing needed to be shut down. They shut down at 11am, she said.

"Red Cross made an announcement and my guys started advising people that they had to leave," she said.

Hirsch explained that they were calling in the first 250 people that called in to the Chapter for assistance.

"What ended up happening, of course, was they spread the word that Red Cross is giving out assistance now. So they called their friends, who called their friends, and then—just through the coconut wireless—all of a sudden we had 2,000 people here this morning."

Hirsh said they are trying to manage about 250 to 300 households a day. That means within about three or four days Red Cross should be able to take care of about a thousand families. They are providing financial assistance based on the type of damage homes took from Typhoon Soudelor and are also providing bulk distribution of hand sanitizers, cleaning supplies, toilet products, rice, and burner stoves, among others.

Hirsch said Red Cross handed out coupons with numbers so that the 250 who were closest to the line that got there first got appointments for today and the next 250 would be there on Friday.

"We knew obviously that this wasn't the best situation. We all knew that. So we pretty much ran out right away. Started all of our volunteers, and our 50 Red Cross people and we were helping them and giving them water and all kinds of things. Once we explained to everybody what was happening, everybody was pretty happy. Obviously there were some people who were frustrated. I would be, too, if I waited two hours, and was told I had to go home."

"…We know that people's frustrations are high right now. People want to get assistance. They want help," he said.

But Hirsch said that in order to be responsible for every dollar that is donated to the Red Cross, they had to do "good casework."

"We want to make sure we are not duplicating" or serving different heads of households, he said for example.

"It all takes time, especially with the destruction that we've seen," he added.

He said people were sleeping overnight at the location.

"It's really heartbreaking to see families wait here in line for several hours when they don't really need to…We have 4,000 who have already called in and are looking for help. We want to take care of that list."

Red Cross has served over 300 people in the last couple of days, Hirsch said.

DEIS

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(5pm, Eastern Time)."

Whelden said the notice of extension will be placed in the *Federal Register* and an announcement will be made to members of the press.

On Tuesday, Inos sent a letter asking for another extension of the comment period for the DEIS.

"An extension is needed until at least the middle part of September and I hereby request an extension of time to receive public comments and to allow NMI agencies to return to normal conditions and complete their work," Inos said in his letter to Whelden.

The governor said "in the aftermath of Typhoon Soudelor, and following President Obama's declaration of a major disaster in the Northern Mariana Islands, I believe it absolutely necessary and hereby request an extension of the public comment period on the CJMT Draft EIS from its present closing date of Aug. 17, 2015, 5pm (Eastern Time)."

Dentons

With the extension, the consulting group that the CNMI government hired to review the DEIS will have "more time to gather public comments," according to Wesley Bogdan, the governor's counsel for military activities.

Bogdan said Dentons previously submitted an executive summary of its initial findings on the DEIS.

In its summary, Dentons cited the inadequacies of the impact statements. The documents were also described as "too huge."

Dentons US LLC and its partner, Environmental Science Associates, have been contracted by the CNMI government in June to review the DEIS. The group is also expected to give legal advice to the government.

This is the second extension granted by the U.S. Department of Defense. The first extended the Aug. 3 deadline to Aug. 17 following the "network blackout" caused by the severing of IT&E's fiber optic cable between Saipan and Tinian last month.

HUNDREDS

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A handful of visitors who registered prior to the opening of the DRC were told to wait for inspectors to give them a call, Marquez said.

The first day of the DRC opening was uneventful, except for a computer glitch that did not allow for registrations.

"We had a glitch in the computer, so we had to make appointments to those who were not able to register," Marquez said, adding that the system breakdown lasted for a "few hours" and was back up again in the afternoon.

She said she was not aware of the cause of the computer breakdown, but the immediate effect was that the system was not able to accept registrations.

According to Marquez, the first day went smoothly. She added that more visitors are expected to go to the DRC in succeeding days.

Marquez also said most registrants came in via telephone. Aside from the computer glitch, there were no other concerns, she said.

She added that those who already registered with FEMA need not go to the DRC, unless they want to obtain more information, or they want to make corrections on the information they supplied during the registration.

The DRC was opened yesterday at 12pm and accommodated disaster victims until 5pm. Normal hours of operation will be Monday to Saturday, from 8am to 5pm, and Sunday, from 10am to 4pm.

"After registering online or by telephone, survivors can access 'one-stop shop' service at the DRC and receive assistance with additional registration needs such as case inquiries and updates," FEMA said.

Experts from FEMA, the U.S. Small Business Administration, and the American Red Cross will be available at the DRC.

Visitors are requested to bring identification cards, Social Security numbers, and their FEMA registration number (which you will get by registering first with FEMA). The FEMA number will be the number visitors will have to reference every time they interact with FEMA staff regarding registration.

Those seeking assistance are also requested to bring insurance documents, receipts of any repairs performed on homes or items purchased to recover from typhoon damage (not all will be eligible for reimbursement, but good to have just in case), and any other documents that may further verify survivors' occupancy or ownership of a home.

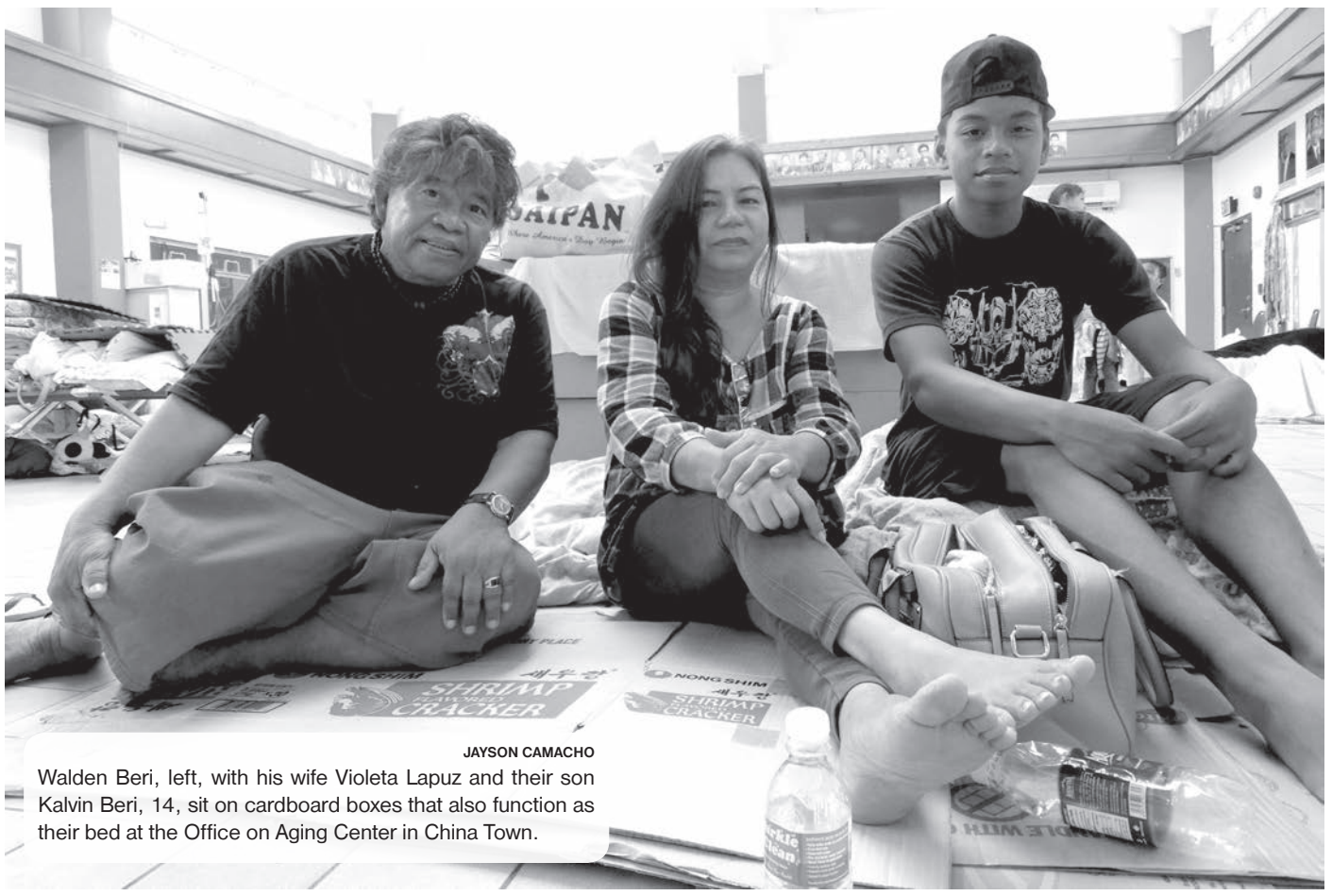
Survivors are encouraged to apply for assistance before going to the DRC by calling 800-621-3362 or (TTY) 800-462-7585. Those who use 711-Relay or Video Relay Services can call 800-621-3362 to register. Online registration is also available at www.DisasterAssistance.gov.

If survivors are unable to register prior to visiting the DRC, there will be a phone bank available for registration or helpline support.

The number of registrants has reached more than 3,000.

STORIES FROM THE SHELTER

Shelter victims call relief efforts 'too little, too late'



JAYSON CAMACHO

Walden Beri, left, with his wife Violeta Lapuz and their son Kalvin Beri, 14, sit on cardboard boxes that also function as their bed at the Office on Aging Center in China Town.

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REPORTER

Scenes of Hurricane Katrina victims decrying the slow pace of relief assistance in 2005 is playing anew on Saipan in the wake of Typhoon Soudelor, with majority of the victims calling the relief efforts "too little, too late."

A visit to temporary shelters over the course of almost two weeks had many of the typhoon victims repeating the same question: "Where is the government in assisting the people?"

The CNMI Public School System has opened its campuses for use as shelters, the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs has made available two of its centers for shelters, and the American Red Cross-NMI Chapter has been distributing food for breakfast, lunch, and dinner but it seems these still aren't enough. Many lack cots, beddings, blankets, containers for water, and access to transportation.

Connie Lizama, 53, her husband, Vicente, 55, and their two grandchildren had sought shelter at Kagman High School during the typhoon. Yesterday, they tried to seek shelter at the Kagman Community Center because even though the Federal Emergency Management Agency and American Red Cross-NMI Chapter had provided them tents and kits, they still need a shelter that has power and water because they are both sick.

"I am disabled, my husband is disabled. I use oxygen at night. He goes to dialysis on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Now that I have gone back to my house because the shelter is closed at KHS, we still need to find a shelter for power and water," Lizama said.

Lizama said she is thankful for all the help that she received but pointed out that it took them a week to receive help and it was only assistance to move back to their house with their tents.

"At KHS we waited for anybody to come and help us but it seems like nobody came to help us. Now, it's a little late for that. We applied for FEMA and ARC but we need help now," she said.

She said among the government agencies that responded to them with some sense of urgency was the Commonwealth Healthcare Corp.

"I can stay at the hospital for my oxygen but I can't stay there by myself because I have two grandchildren and nobody would be with me. So I need a shelter that would have all of us together," she said.

The Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management informed Lizama she could call the Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority to give her husband a ride for his dialysis appointment, but she said they still need a place that has power and water.

"We can't stay at our home. The roof was blown away, my kitchen is gone, and everything is wet," she said.

Another victim who stayed at Garapan Elementary School last week is also on dialysis. He declined to be identified but said he lost everything. He lives in Oleai.

"Our family has a compound and we lost everything there. We stayed at GES but still we hadn't had any help. We applied for FEMA and ARC. We even lined up at ARC only to register and not knowing that we were there only for registration," he said.

Another victim, Walden Beri, 63, who currently stays at the Office on Aging in China Town with his wife, Violeta Lapuz, 55, their son Kalvin, 14, and daughter Kathleen, 23, said they lost everything to Soudelor.

"No one told us it was going to be strong so we stayed home…we lost everything. We only have our passports. …We lost our clothes, shoes, bags, appliances, instrument, and furniture," Beri, a longtime musician on Saipan, said.

Beri and his family were forced to flee their home in the middle of the typhoon, running for their lives to the church in San Vicente. After the storm, they were rescued and brought to San Vicente Elementary School.

"We didn't receive help for a long time when we stayed at the shelter. ARC provided food and the shelter helped us but only CHCC came…I am medically referred patient but it was cancelled and I still need help but Medical Referral Office already told us that it would be scheduled for another time," he said.

Beri, Lapuz, and their children now stay at the Aging on Office. They sleep on cardboard boxes labeled "shrimp flavored crackers."

"We applied for FEMA already…But if we at least receive help we'd like to request for bed, futon, blankets, pillows, and healthier food because our family has a medical issue—high blood pressure," Beri said.

Beri said he was grateful that during his stay at SVES, Rep. Edwin K. Propst (Ind-Saipan), the Lion's Club, and several individuals came to visit them and gave assistance.

"The help was good but it was late, we still need help and we are still waiting," Beri said.

In the typhoon's aftermath, U.S. Marines and sailors have been hard at work handing out relief assistance at designated points on the island. However, most shelter victims said they had to drive or walk to the locations that provide the needed food and water.

For those who have lost their homes and are staying in shelters, there is a strong perception that they've been pretty much left to fend for themselves. This seems to be consensus among majority of the shelter victims—either those prior to the storm hitting and those that were rescued.

"No one came to our aid," they would say.

"Where is the help?" was the familiar refrain.

Over 400 victims currently stay in shelters in Tanapag, Garapan, Kagman, San Vicente, China Town, and Koblerville. As of yesterday afternoon, there were 57 typhoon victims at the Kagman Community Center and 104 at the Office on Aging.

DCCA is currently in charge of taking care of those still staying at the shelters, some 10 days after Typhoon Soudelor laid waste to the island.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

In the Matter of the Petition to Appoint General Guardianship for:	)	FCS GU CIVIL ACTION NO. 15-0354
	)	**NOTICE OF HEARING**
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Notice is hereby given that the above-entitled matter is set for a hearing on **September 17, 2015**, at **10:30 AM** in Courtoom 205A, before Honorable Judge Kenneth L. Govendo.

Dated this 6th day of August 20, 2015.

Patrick v. Diaz
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AS CIRCULATIONS DEVELOP IN THE PACIFIC:

'No watches or warnings in effect for the CNMI'

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New circulations in the Pacific is making some residents concerned, more than a week after Typhoon Soudelor made a direct hit on the island.

A special weather statement from the National Weather Service in Guam said that there are circulations centered near Pohnpei and north of Majuro and that "computer models indicate slow development as it heads toward the northwest."

"The circulation near Majuro could also develop in the coming days as it lifts toward the north-northwest," it added.

However, the Offices of Homeland Security and Civil Defense in coordination with NWS said there are currently no watches or warnings in effect for the Northern Mariana Islands.

They said they are closely monitoring thunderstorms in a large area over Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, and Majuro and that at this time, this monsoon trough with this system of thunderstorms is no threat to Guam or the Northern Mariana Islands.

"The CNMI Emergency Operations Center is working closely with the National Weather Service on Guam to closely monitor this activity. We remain cognizant of the fact that there are people who are concerned about this," Lt. Gov. Ralph DLG Torres said in a social media post.

While it is not a threat, Torres is encouraging residents to take safety precautionary measures.

"If anything, we encourage our people to clear the debris around their homes as a safety measure, as well as prepare themselves with resources stocked up," he added.

Over the last weekend, some residents were also worried of a new "typhoon" that eventually turned out to be Tropical Storm Molave but did not have much effect in the CNMI.

Torres said the EOC will also take precautionary measures to make sure that the Commonwealth is prepared.

"While it is too early to tell, the EOC is preparing to take extra precautionary measures to make sure that we have the necessary resources to prepare for whatever comes our way. This includes taking care of our displaced residents who are relying on temporary shelter relief because of the effects from Typhoon Soudelor and providing immediate assistance with the resources already on island to our people in the event of a storm," Torres said.

Red Cross extends helping hand

WASHINGTON—The American Red Cross is helping people on Saipan, part of the U.S. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, after Typhoon Soudelor blasted the island last week.

The storm hit Saipan with winds higher than 90 mph leaving most of the island without power, water and sewer facilities. The power may be out for more than a month. Preliminary reports indicate more than 1,100 homes are damaged.

"Saipan is facing the worst damage that locals have seen for decades," said Brad Kieserman, vice president, Disaster Operations and Logistics for the Red Cross. "We have dozens of volunteers working around the clock to make sure people have the support they need and more help is on the way."

With a local office on Saipan and a group of dedicated volunteers, the Red Cross responded immediately to support sheltering, feeding and damage assessment efforts. More than 2,000 calls have come in from people seeking help, adding up to almost five percent of the population. More than 500 people spent Sunday night in government-operated shelters and the Red Cross has already provided more than 11,000 meals.

Because of the extensive damage, the Red Cross has created a robust relief plan to get immediate help to people who need it. The program combines financial assistance with critical supplies to help people leave emergency shelters and begin recovering from Soudelor. Relief supplies include items such as rice, canned meat, hygiene products, stoves and cleaning supplies for thousands of people in the hardest hit areas. Supplies including rice cookers and thousands of comfort items are on the way to Saipan now.

Access to Saipan is challenging. The Red Cross is working with corporate and government partners to get relief supplies to Saipan. Red Cross volunteers on the mainland U.S. are also deploying to the region to assist in the relief effort.

"Saipan is going to need help for some time and the Red Cross will be there to support recovery efforts," said Kieserman. "The best way to help right now, is to make a financial donation to support Red Cross disaster relief."

HOW TO HELP

People can help by donating to Red Cross Disaster Relief by visiting redcross.org, calling 1-800-RED CROSS or texting the word REDCROSS to 90999 to make a $10 donation. ***(PR)***

A feast of meat at Hyatt's Brazilian churrascos

FRAULEINE S. VILLANUEVA
A pork loin roasted in Brazilian perfection and authenticity is one of the meats that the Kili Café of Hyatt Regency Saipan will be offering tonight with their Authentico Churrasco Gaucho promo.

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Picking up the pieces after the storm is a tough job. More than a week has passed and most of the island still doesn't have power and water, much less a sense of normalcy.

If you want a breather and good food for just a few hours, Hyatt Regency Saipan is ready to offer you these with their special banquet tonight.

At Hyatt's Kili Café & Terrace, you can feast like a *Brasileiro gaucho* (South American cowboy) with a menu featuring Brazilian churrascos.

For August, we are featuring Authentico Churrasco Gaucho, which is Brazilian barbecue and it's the style of cowboys in Brazil," marketing communications manager Maria Valentina Haberman said.

Churrasco is a Portuguese and Spanish term for beef or grilled meat.

You can start your dinner with a savory chicken pazole soup. For salads, they have five selections: black bean, squid and mussels, shrimp salad, spicy chorizo and sweet potato salad, roasted eggplant, and white bean and ham salad.

While whetting your appetite with these, enjoy the aroma of marinated selections on the grill—the stars of the night—all of them cooked on traditional sword skewers on an open flame grill.

Kili Café will barbecue outside for people to see the traditional, "primitive," Brazilian way of grilling.

"Imagine cowboys cooking outdoors," said sous chef Inos Hocog, who will lead the event.

Grilled menu include coullote, bottom sirloin, boneless leg of lamb, marinated chicken thighs, and linguica (sausages).

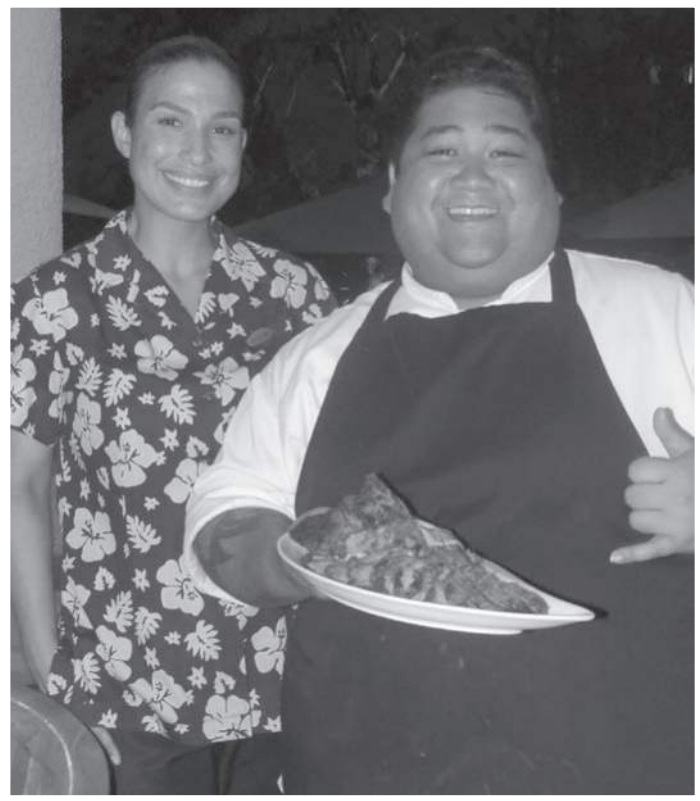
"With Brazilian barbecue, it's really basic—garlic, parsley, salt. The flavors you get from the chimichurris," Hocog said.

Chimichurris are sauces that are used to add flavor to the meat depending on one's taste. Kili Café will be having three: sundried tomatoes, parsley and basil, and salt.

They also have hot entrées such as arroz amarillo, cassoulet, pasta bake, tomato, cheese crust and seafood in tomato stew and coriander spice.

For dessert, Kili Café will be offering a special hot chocolate that is thick and spiced but mild and just delicious.

Certified Angus beef through Triple J is sponsoring the event. This Authentic Churrasco Gaucho is priced at $42 per person. For inquiries, call Hyatt Regency at 234-1234.



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Sous chef Inas Hocog will be heading Hyatt's Authentico Churrasco Gaucho. With him is their marketing communications manager Maria Valentina Haberman.

Express Financial loan payment deferment

Express Financial is offering a 60-day payment deferral to customers whose loan was less than 30 days delinquent prior to the typhoon on Aug. 2, 2015. To take advantage of this offer, customers simply need to call (670-235-6032) or visit the local Express Financial office on Chalan Monsignor Guerrero Rd. The Express Financial office is open regular hours (8am to 5pm, Monday to Friday). ***(PR)***

2015 BUSINESSWOMAN OF THE YEAR GALA

Pioneer businesswoman honored with Lifetime Achievement Award

MAITE, Guam—First Hawaiian Bank and *Guam Business Magazine* will present a Lifetime Achievement Award to the family of the late Mercedes Edwina C. Jose on Sept. 6 at the 10th Annual Businesswoman of the Year Gala at the Hyatt Regency Guam.

The award recognizes a businesswoman in the region who has been a pioneer in her field, has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life in her island community, and who serves as a role model for businesswomen today.

Jose, along with her husband and business partner, Manuel L. Jose, profitably ran several family businesses while actively serving in community organizations and raising funds for worthy causes. Jose was the owner and operator of Ed & Joe's Shops—a sole proprietorship dress-making, tailoring and gift shop opened in 1947—and was the vice president, secretary, and treasurer of Ed & Joe's Enterprises Inc., a real estate development and management company that began in 1971.

Jose was also a founding and lifetime member of the Guam Memorial Hospital Volunteers Association, the Filipino Ladies Association of Guam, the Guam Chapter of Soroptimist International and the Andersen Civilian Advisory Council. She was a mother of seven: Edwina Stewart, Josephine Jose Ada, Aurora Jose Wong, Dr. Manuel C. Jose Jr., Richard C. Jose, Maria Luisa Jose, and the late Mercedes Jose.

Proceeds from the Businesswoman of the Year Gala will fund scholarships for students pursuing business and related degrees at the University of Guam, Guam Community College, and Northern Marianas College. ***(PR)***

Mobil stations return to normal hours starting today

Mobil service stations on Saipan will return to normal operating hours starting today, Aug. 13.

According to a Mobil statement yesterday, motorists can continue to refuel their vehicles and fill their safety-approved portable containers with diesel and up to five gallons of gasoline.

Operating hours for Mobil service stations is as follows:

■ **Open for 24 hours**: Middle Road, Chalan Kiya, Kagman, BR Garapan, and Sadog Tasi.

■ **Open from 6am to 10pm**: Susupe, Tanapag, CMG San Jose, San Vicente, and Koblerville.

"Please be assured that we have sufficient stock of gasoline for vehicles based on typical buying patterns, and also ample stock of diesel, to meet the increased usage of generators.

"We would like to thank the people of Saipan for their patience last week, following the typhoon's impact on our fuel terminal.

"We are expecting our tanker with fresh fuel supplies to arrive on Saipan next week.

"We continue to encourage people to only get fuel if they need it and to only drive if necessary. The congestion of the service stations and on the roads creates unnecessary safety issues, even as the authorities are working hard in their recovery efforts.

"Mobil has been serving the CNMI community for nearly 50 years, providing supplies of fuel safely to enable industry and daily activities. All of us in Mobil are committed to doing our part for Saipan during this time," the statement said. ***(Mobil)***

Shell lifts $50 purchase limit

IP&E announced yesterday that it is lifting its $50 fuel transaction limit at all Shell gas stations starting today, Aug. 13.

"The implementation of limiting fuel purchases is not a reflection of supply but a result of distribution constraints that have been resolved, the company said in a statement.

"We have more than enough fuel for the island of Saipan, in fact we received a shipment of fuel a week before the typhoon hit so all of our storage tanks were full right before the storm," said Bill Ada, Retail Operations director, IP&E Holdings.

Shell gas stations will continue to maintain hours of operation from 8am to 5pm "in order to ensure the safety of employees and customers."

IP&E has been committed to opening Shell locations consistently to ensure the island has the fuel it needs to power recovery efforts to bring Saipan back to its former glory.

"We are proud of all our employees' efforts to ensure we stay open and provide fuel to the community," said Brian Bamba, managing director of IP&E Holdings.

Gasoline and diesel fuel are available at Shell Puerto Rico, Shell Gualo Rai, and Shell Highway Express.

Shell Airport and Shell Susupe only sell gasoline.

Shell Koblerville is open to government official emergency vehicles only. ***(Shell)***

CUC expands water service restoration

To assist us with the expansion of limited water service to the island of Saipan, the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. asks communities in the testing areas to secure all valves in their respective buildings and residences.

From now until Friday, Aug. 14, CUC Engineering and Operations personnel will attempt to pressurize the water lines in the vicinity of Capital Hill, Kagman, and Marpi. In advance of the testing process, CUC asks that all household water faucets and hose bibs in the area are turned off as water begins to fill the distribution lines.

In the coming days and weeks, CUC will continue to expand limited water service to Saipan. Within the next week, CUC expects to provide water to Navy Hill, Chinatown, Upper Miha, As Matuis, San Roque, Capital Hill, Kagman, and As Teo.

CUC has restored pressurized water in Chalan Kiya and from San Antonio to San Jose. The limited water service in the newly opened areas will be initially available daily.

Given the challenges posed by Typhoon Soudelor, it is critical for the community to immediately notify CUC of any water leaks. To report water leaks, contact the CUC Customer Call Center at 664-4CUC (4282).

As a precaution, all water provided by CUC will need to be sanitized through the use of chlorine bleach or boiling before it can be used by the community.

Instructions for sanitizing

FOR BOILING: Bring all water to a boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, washing dishes, and food preparation until further notice. Boiling kills bacteria and other organisms in the water.

For more information, visit our website www.cucgov.org or contact CUC's Customer Call Center at 664-4CUC (664-4282). ***(CUC)***

NMC sets revised semester dates

As the Northern Marianas College moves forward with recovery efforts on its Saipan campus, the safety and comfort of students and employees continue to remain the highest priority. The college has announced that it has modified the dates for its 2015 summer and fall semesters.

Summer 2015

The college's summer 2015 semester will resume on Aug. 24, 2015, and will run through Aug. 28, 2015. Students who are enrolled for the summer 2015 semester will be receiving additional information during the next few days. Students are encouraged to contact their instructors in the meantime to receive additional details about their classes.

Fall 2015

The first day of the college's fall 2015 semester has been moved to Monday, Sept. 28, 2015, and the semester will run through Dec. 24, 2015. More information will be made available regarding the fall 2015 semester in the next few days. Because the college will be modifying the semester timeframe from 16 to 13 weeks, it is necessary to make corresponding changes in classroom contact hours. As such, students who have already registered for the fall 2015 semester will find their classes may be extended on each day to meet the instructional contact hour requirement. These time periods will be shared with students as soon as they are finalized. Please note the following updated dates for fall 2015 semester.

Fall 2015 Admission Deadline:

Aug. 31, 2015 (*Admission closed for international students)

Placement Testing:

■ Sept. 7 at 9am: English Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 7 at 1pm: English Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 8 at 9am: English Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 8 at 1pm: English Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 9 at 9am: Math Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 9 at 1pm: Math Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 10 at 9am: Math Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 10 at 1pm: Math Placement Test (60 students max)

■ Sept. 14 at 1pm: English Placement Test (International Students)

■ Sept. 15 at 9am: Math Placement Test (International Students)

Orientations:

■ Sept. 11 at 9am: New and Returning Student Orientation

■ Sept. 12 at 9am: New and Returning Student Orientation

■ Sept. 14 at 9am: International Student Orientation

Registration:

■ Sept. 7-11- Registration for Ongoing Students (By last name)

■ Sept. 14-25: Registration for New, Readmitted, and Ongoing Students

■ Sept. 7: Oct. 2: Add/Drop Period; Oct. 2 is last day for 100 percent refund, no refund after Oct. 2.

First Day of Classes: Sept. 28, 2015

Last Day of Classes: Dec. 19, 2015

Finals Week: Dec. 21-24, 2015 ***(NMC)***

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Red Cross, where did the money for Haiti go?

The world reached out in grand fashion when a massive earthquake struck Haiti five years ago. Former President Bill Clinton raised millions of dollars. Celebrities organized high-profile benefits.

The American Red Cross joined in the effort in a big way, promising to rebuild homes, schools and infrastructure in a country that was in desperate shape before the earthquake. The Red Cross raised almost $500 million, more than any other group.

Where did the money go? That has come under question in an investigation by ProPublica, a nonprofit news organization, and National Public Radio.

The chief executive of the Red Cross said in 2011 that the agency would "provide tens of thousands of people with permanent homes." The actual number of permanent homes built through the Red Cross in Haiti is six, according to the ProPublica/NPR investigation.

Overall, reporters found "a string of poorly managed projects, questionable spending and dubious claims of success."

The reporting has prompted an inquiry by U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa. In a letter to Red Cross officials, Grassley said he had been "assured that the Red Cross had made substantial steps forward in improving efficiencies and reducing waste, fraud and abuse within the organization. However, the recent news articles cast doubt on some representations made by the Red Cross."

The Red Cross' initial plan, according to the ProPublica/NPR reports, was to build roughly 700 homes with toilets and showers—luxuries in Haiti. They would start in Campeche, a hillside neighborhood in Port-au-Prince where residents lived in mud and sheet metal shacks.

No homes were built there.

According to the reports, the Red Cross was unable to deliver on many of its projects in Haiti. Red Cross leaders were reluctant to rely on the Haitian people or native speakers for help navigating the cultures and politics of a complex, poverty-stricken nation. So the Red Cross gave millions to outside groups, didn't properly track the money, and spent too much on overhead and bureaucracy.

The Red Cross continued to raise money for Haiti "well after it had enough for the emergency relief that is the group's stock and trade," ProPublica/NPR reported.

The Red Cross has challenged the reporting.

In a letter to Grassley, Red Cross officials said they spent $400.5 million of the $487.6 million raised. They used the money to repair homes, provide rental subsidies and shelters. They also trained Haitians on first aid and jobs skills, and provided soap, buckets and rehydration packets during a cholera outbreak. The money bought mosquito nets. It helped toward rubble removal efforts. And it helped repair infrastructure.

"For a disaster of the scale of the Haiti earthquake, the needs were so great that we could not in good conscience halt donations or imagine at the outset what precise amount of donations would be needed," the agency wrote to Grassley. "We are confident that those donations were needed and we spent and committed them well."

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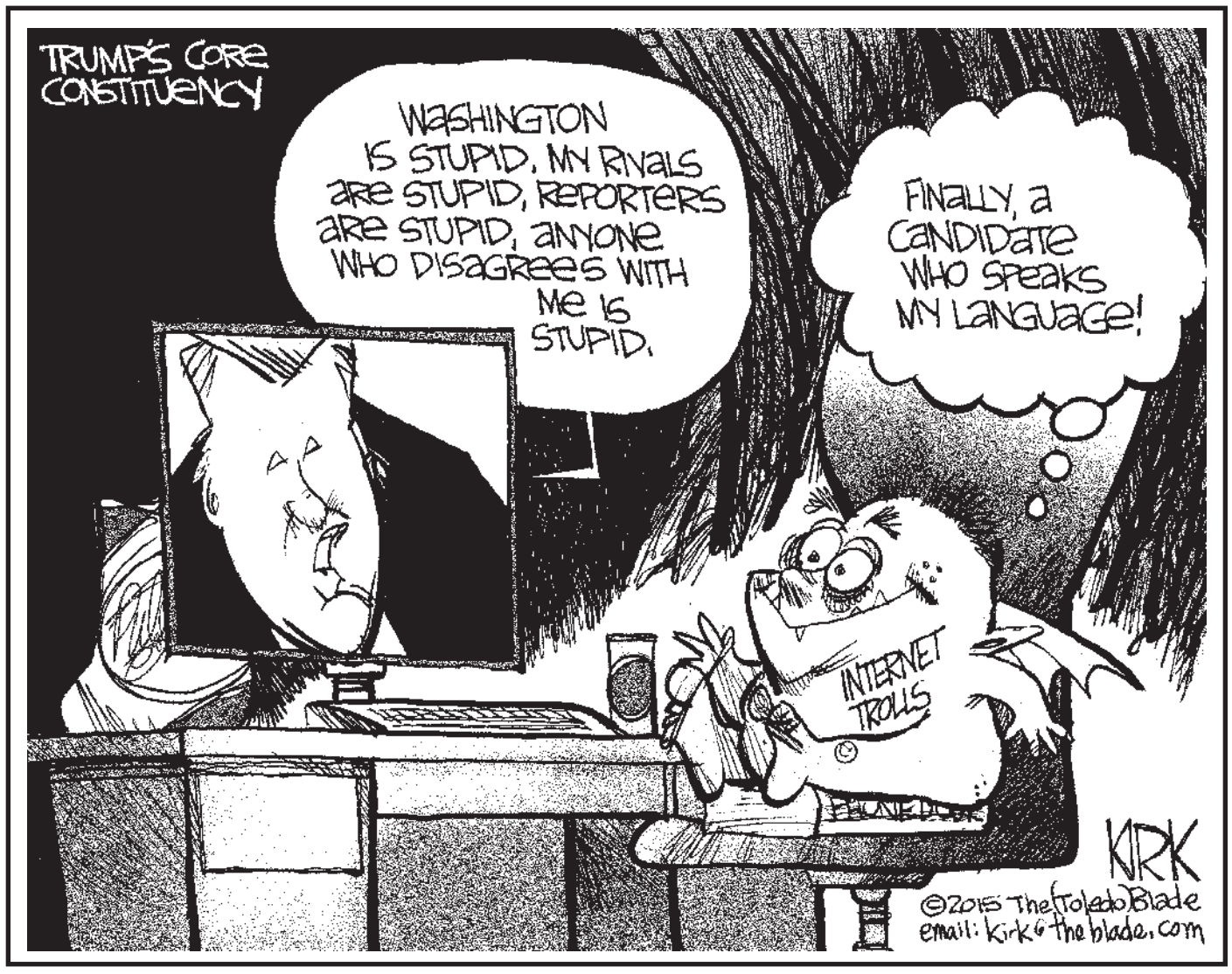
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Freedomland Spratly

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Special to the Saipan Tribune

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I irritate my activist friends who denounce China for encroaching on Philippine claims of sovereign territory in South China Sea. U.S. Secretary John Kerry at a conference in KL reiterated the U.S. position that construction of facilities on the islands already occupied by China leads to restrictions in navigation and flights over the area.

The Spanish Bol-anon Tomas Cloma, owner of a fishing fleet that regularly sailed to the Spratly Islands (*Nansha* to China), cites Japan's disposition of the Paracel and Spratly in the 1952 San Francisco treaty that formally ended the allies' war with Nippon.

Unfortunately, the real claimant with ancient maps was not invited nor a party to the San Francisco conference. The United States wanted Taiwan to represent the Republic of China headed by Chiang Kai Shek who retreated to Taiwan after China's civil war, while the British wanted Beijing's People's Republic of China under Mao Zedong who occupied the mainland. The resulting stalemate left China unrepresented.

Cloma cites Japan's renunciation of Spratly to justify the right to claim them, which is what he did in the '60s. Cloma stirred the waters with many of his theatrics, including his physical claim of Freedomland, *Kapuluan ng Kalayaan,* on the western part of the Spratly. That included 53 islands, reefs, atolls, shoals, cays, and rocks. The *Thitu* (*Pag-asa)* is the biggest including *feixin dao* (flat island, *patag*), Nansha (*lawak*), West York (*likas*), Lankiam Cay (*panata*), Loita (*kota*), and Commodore Reef (*Rizal*).

Shortly after WWII, the ROC established a military presence in the former Nihon submarine base in the Spratly that assisted Japan's invasion of the Philippines. Also, a 1947 map of the ROC and affirmed by the PRC in 1949 clearly names the geography with historical Chinese terms. Only Vietnam and Malaysia other than China have historic claims on the Spratly while the current Philippine claim is based on the convention on the UN Laws of the Sea, ratified in 1982 without the U.S. but which begs the question as exclusive economic zone claim is measured against historic sovereignty.

Philippine VP Elpidio Quirino indicated *Pinoy* interest in Spratly but would not push the claim if ROC of Taiwan got the place; he considered security issues when Mao of PRC took over the region. The rise of insurgency during Quirino's term catapulted the popular Ramon Magsaysay to become the next President but left the issue of Spratly moot, but when substantial gas and oil were confirmed early '60s in the region, flames lit up again.

The Philippine claim to the Spratly is vaudevillian with Tomas Cloma's theatrics but it was seriously and secretly plotted by Ferdinand Marcos who saw not only the mineral and oil potential of the region, but also to rub the issue in Uncle Sam's face that desperately wanted to firm up its military presence in Vietnam. Marcos' health failed him and Mt. Pinatubo's lahar turned all bets off.

Now Noynoy sways to South China Sea waves accompanied by promises of oil. Filipinos addicted to luncheon meat welcome G.I. Joe's desire for 15 strategic base locations in the Philippines to allow more than temporary residency. The boogaboo rhetoric about expansionist China, of fear of the red Commie menace next door, is being played to justify Quirino's issue, as well as play into Philippine President Noynoy Aquino's reliance on U.S. military power to keep him in office, never mind that China is more "democratic" than many so-called democracies in the planet.

Pinoys in diaspora and in Manila found time this June 12 to protest the alleged encroachment of Zhinoy *Chen Xiao Ming moumouren* (my *Juan de la Cruz*) into Pea Eye's sovereign territory. And we are no longer as playful as old Hispanic-Malay Tomas Cloma on our claim either. Lawyers are raking the tax dough busy taking Beijing to the UNCLOS court.

Hispanic Bol-anon Cloma is gone, and his Freedomland no longer exists while the Foreign Affairs Department of Noynoy's administration distracts the common *tao* from taking the dismal Pea Eye situation too seriously (3,500 families owns half of the country's assets, the Cojuangco-Aquino family included) with the promise of oil in an area the country cannot drill without U.S. technology and for the benefit of Texas-based entities.

Meanwhile, a natural ally whose cultural philosophy is one of harmony, of *taiji* we-ness, flexes its muscles for as long as Noynoy hide under the top hat of Uncle Sam, or should we change the metaphor since Hillary's *patadyong* (barrel skirt) in 2016 might be the cover?

The *hoi polloi* in diaspora will keep its hands off *Lupang Hinirang* while living "abroad." But there is no real freedom without liberation, and dear Pea Eye as a nation remains under the stranglehold of a privileged few.

Known in previous maps as the South China Sea, the area suddenly sprouted a Luzon Sea in a 2013 world map. Ownership of Spratly is not the issue. Nor will control of islands previously not bearing Philippine names define the selfhood of a hundred million people. The Pinoy grapples with identity to find its soul. In the effort lies destiny. That's the real bone to chew.

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Haf` Mohon Futtuna-ta?

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Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Teñga `an katma yan silensiu hinasoghu sige hu taka` haf` futtuna-ta guine gi perlas iya Pasifiku bente esta siñkuenta años yan pa`gu.

Sin satton na kinimite para ta planeha futtuna-ta, i sahyan natibu pa`gu kulan un` batku sin timon ni pinapanag katkuet direksion ni manloka lañgat gi taduñg.

Lamegai mansustansiau siha na asuntu debi ta estudiaye sin ditension. Primera i modun edukasion famaguon-ta. Haf` ta a`atan mona para offisiu siha ni mau`udai gi pisun edukasion `nai siña mañaunau famaguon-ta gi areglon adelanto para este siha na perlas?

Estague` kasi mas makat na kuestion ni debi ta fana` satton ya ta diskute gi halom hita mismu. Pot ihemplo: Dispues de gera Japon ha ayeg science yan technology kumu asuntu para u atbansague` yan tautauña. Este na disision umayuda yan sumede Japon na u atbansau gi todu prinedusen deste kareta, amot, tinanom, pinegsai yan modetnu siha na kosas tat kontodu makenarian hospitat siha.

Dikiki` na nasion lau guiya mina` tres mas dañkulu na ekonomia gi tanu`. Enfin, anaku` na karera mina mauleg ta tutuhon dinaña` natibu pot este na asuntu.

Nessesidat Militat: Deste kiñientos años tatte todu nasion ni humatme islas siha giya Pasifiku pot nessesidat militat. Ni unabes `nai guaha planu para i natibu gi adelanton linala` niha. Makepunu modun linala` tautua islas kontodu liñguahe. Ni unu felis gi este na tailayen pinetsige.

Mamatkilu i natibu lamayot patte pot tai akomparasion atmasña kontra i nasion ni humatme tanu` niha. Flechan katupat ni ñgai`an `nai u parehu fuetña yan balan kañon. Poresu na ha pañot i natibu mama` mosu gi mismu tano`ña.

Guaha inadahe pot no `an manimbeste u fan mapunu lamegai gi natibu. Masuñgun todu mattiru pot para u safu tautauña. Lau klaru deste Españiot na pot para una` anchu papaña gi numeron isla siha ni ha amot i natibu.

Haliman para u pega sisteman radio guine giya Pasifiku mientras i Japones umachule` planun niha. Gaige pa`gu i Amerikanu ta`lu pot interes militat. Tatnai mapublika haf` planun niha pot tautau iya Marianas. Na ti hita i mandueñon este siha na islas?

Debi i manma-eduka siha na tautau umatutuhon dinaña yan seriosu na inadiñgan pot este yan otru siha fina` programa ni siña umadelanta linala` tautau-ta.

Menos appottunidat: I kinalamten inipos chafleg `nai megai man-mamatmos gi halom fache` miserapble. Este na sinesede para u dinilalag manadan famaguon-ta dispues de monhayan estudiun niha gi kolehu. Megaiña u fañaga entalu` Guam, Hawaii yan America. Hita fuma` sasalaguane futtunan niha.

`Nai anchu i appottunidat para familian niha siempre madisidi na u fañaga gi ayu na estadu `nai bula appottunidat deste edukasion, mauleg na sisteman hinemlu`, cho`chu`, yan anchu na kampu para adelantun offisiun niha.

Estague` na puntu appenas guine. Los uttimu mama` espehos sasalaguan ni dumululag tautau-ta ginen tano` niha mismu. Mañge manadan offresimientu para umadelanta i linala` tautau-ta siha? Kau i ti in` mirese na pagamientun miyu i solu presisu para hamyu?

Pagyu: Gigon kayao i mañglu ha tutuhon muna`gasgas gi oriyan yan halom hatdin. Ti hinalañg i amku` ni tirun pagyu. "Deste antes ihu estague` na mattiru patte gi gumualu`. Tutuhon talu dinuebu sa` siempre un` fañgusecha dispues".

Ha rempesa `nos kuantos enggleran golai dispues hana` fañochu i pinegsai antes de u deskansan ñaihon. Sigiente dia ha kontinua muna`gasgas. Gi pupueñge hana`eyu` dididi` fina golai para teñguañghu. Magahet na satton yan mesñgon na amku` gi offisioña.

Hu faisen kuantos tiempu ta`lu para u gualu`. Ti matman na kasi siñko años. Gi ayu na tiempu mas menos fuetsaña para dichu che`chu` gualu`. "Po`lu i tetehnan ya i famaguon u pinetsige". Manuñgag ham tuban lahe gi lemlem tautau. "I mattiempu hagas patte gi linala` lancheria siha guine".

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Gi biradan i gima`, sumugu-yu` gi inai Puntan Muchot para bai` aligau un` amiguhu ni tumalaya guihe na talo`ane. Era esta matata`chong gi tatte karetaña ume`efresku. Gaige esta patteghu` manbonitun satmonitiyon gi halom botsiyu. Sige ham kumonbetsasion estake umadiñgu ham. Mauleg offisiun niha dispues de manritirau. Probichosu!

Gi kinelichan-hu sumugu`yu` gi amigu-hu Magoo para baina` fañage ni suetteghu. Ilegña na mauleg finatoghu. "Sina mohon un` chogue `ste kada dia?" Pindehu!

RED CROSS

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But Grassley's frustration has only grown. The senator has criticized the Red Cross for not being more transparent about how it spent the money it raised for Haiti.

"It's unclear why the Red Cross enters into contracts with other organizations stipulating that details of grants can't be disclosed to the media or donors," Grassley said in a statement reported by NPR. "Who's driving the lack of disclosure, the Red Cross or the grant recipients? What's the rationale for it?"

The Red Cross has faced accusations in the past that it is heavily bureaucratic and intently focused on its public image. ProPublica/NPR reporting raised questions about its response to Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Isaac in 2012.

After the Sept. 11 attacks, then-New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer said the Red Cross "raised hundreds of millions of dollars that was intended by the donating public to be used for the victims of September 11. I see those funds being sequestered into long-term plans for an organization."

Red Cross frontline workers over the years, decades, have done tremendous work, often under extremely difficult conditions. Few situations have been more challenging than Haiti, where the earthquake took tens of thousands of lives and displaced some 1 million people.

But it's essential that not-for-profit fundraising organizations be utterly transparent to donors, to recipients, to the broad public. They deal with disaster. But first they have to earn trust.

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What US citizens weren't told about the atomic bombs

By SUSAN SOUTHARD
Los Angeles Times

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Seventy years ago, the United States dropped two atomic bombs on Japan: Hiroshima on Aug. 6, 1945; Nagasaki on Aug. 9. With searing heat and annihilating force, the nuclear blasts tore through factories, shops and homes in both cities. Huge portions of Hiroshima and Nagasaki vanished. Weighing many factors, including the Soviet Union's entry into the war against Japan 11 hours before the Nagasaki bombing, Japan surrendered. By Aug. 15, World War II was over.

In the United States, the necessity of the bombings to end the war has been studied and argued for decades, but the acute and long-term effects of whole-body radiation exposure on the men, women and children beneath the mushroom clouds are little known and seldom mentioned. Without also accounting for this critical aspect of the bombings, discussions of the military, moral and existential issues surrounding Hiroshima and Nagasaki are incomplete. If we choose to take and defend actions that cause great harm to civilians during war, we must also scrutinize and wholly understand the effect of those actions.

Within a week of each nuclear attack, thousands who had escaped death began to experience inexplicable combinations of symptoms: high fever, dizziness, nausea, headaches, diarrhea, bloody stools, nosebleeds and whole-body weakness. Their hair fell out in large clumps, their wounds secreted extreme amounts of pus, and their gums swelled and bled. Purple spots appeared on their bodies, signs of hemorrhaging beneath the skin. Infections ravaged their internal organs. Within a few days of the onset of symptoms, many people lost consciousness, mumbled deliriously and died in extreme pain; others languished for weeks before either dying or slowly recovering.

Even those who had suffered no external injuries fell sick and died. In the ruins of his small tuberculosis hospital in Nagasaki, Dr. Tatsuichiro Akizuki likened the situation to the Black Death pandemic that ravaged Europe in the 1300s.

A second wave of radiation illnesses and deaths swept through Nagasaki in late August through early October. From Akizuki's perspective on top of Motohara Hill, the illness carved a clear geographical path: From the bottom of the hill upward, people died in order of their distance from the bomb's hypocenter. Akizuki called this phenomenon the "concentric circles of death."

Today, Americans' silence on this crucial chapter of the atomic bomb story is, in large part, an extension of U.S. denial and suppression since the end of the war. Immediately after the bombings, high-level U.S. officials publicly—and adamantly—rebuffed news reports about the bombs' horrific aftereffects. Gen. Leslie Groves, director of the Manhattan Project, which developed the atomic bombs, dismissed these reports as propaganda, even as he sent teams to measure radiation levels to ensure the safety of U.S. troops about to enter both cities. Later that year, Groves testified before the U.S. Senate that death from high-dose radiation exposure is "without undue suffering" and "a very pleasant way to die."

In Nagasaki, newborn death rates skyrocketed in the nine months after the bombing: 43 percent of pregnancies in which the fetus was exposed within a quarter-mile of the hypocenter ended in spontaneous abortion, stillbirth or infant death. Young mothers giving birth in the ruins did not know it yet, but even those infants who survived would face severe physical and mental disabilities.

For years, tens of thousands of hibakusha ("atomic bomb-affected people") suffered agonizing radiation-related illnesses. Many died. Meanwhile, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's occupation press code censored Japanese news accounts, personal testimonies, photographs and scientific research on the survivors' conditions. In the United States, virtually all reports about the devastation and radiation-related deaths stopped after a confidential memo to American media requested that all reports about the atomic bombs be preapproved by the War Department, particularly those containing scientific or technical details.

In 1946 and 1947, opposition to the bombings began appearing in U.S. media, including John Hersey's "Hiroshima," first published in The New Yorker, and a scathing essay by journalist Norman Cousins in the Saturday Review. U.S. government and military officials hurriedly strategized how to prevent what they considered "a distortion of history" that could damage postwar international relations and threaten U.S. nuclear development.

Two articles by prominent government officials—the first by Karl T. Compton, a respected physicist who had helped develop the atomic bombs, and the second by former Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson—offered intelligent and persuasive "behind the scenes" perspectives on the U.S. decision to use the bombs. These powerful justifications effectively quelled civic dissent and directed focus away from the ongoing suffering of the people of Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

By the early 1950s, cancer rates for hibakusha adults and children soared, and many more hibakusha developed liver, endocrine, blood and skin diseases, and impairments of the central nervous system. Mortality rates remained high. Most commonly, survivors experienced violent dizzy spells and a profound depletion of energy. Fears about genetic effects of radiation exposure on their children haunted them for decades. Thirty years after the war, high rates of leukemia as well as stomach and colon cancer persisted. From the survivors' perspective, the atomic bomb had burned their bodies from the inside out.

As Japanese and U.S. scientists continue studying hibakusha, their children and grandchildren to try to comprehend the full effect of radiation exposure, can we come face to face with the terrorizing realities of nuclear weapons? We don't have to suppress our condemnation of Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor, mistreatment and killings of Allied POWs and slaughter of civilians across Asia to do so. An expanded understanding of atomic bomb history that includes the human consequences of nuclear war will deepen our integrity as a nation and, one hopes, influence our nuclear weapons policies across the world.

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The Weather

5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

TODAY
Partly cloudy with isolated showers. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.
▲86° ▼77°

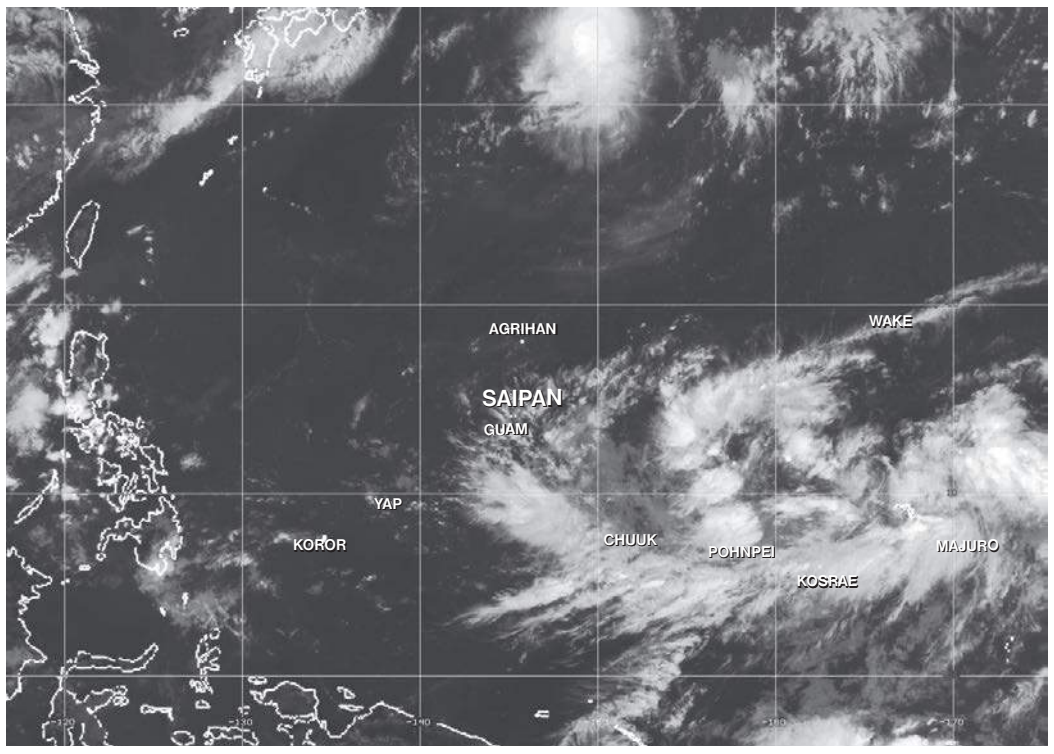
FRIDAY
Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms. Northeast winds 10 to 15 mph.
▲85° ▼77°

SATURDAY
Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.
▲85° ▼77°

SUNDAY
Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.
▲85° ▼77°

MONDAY
Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
▲87° ▼77°

Yesterday's Satellite Image



PICTURE TIME: 1:00PM, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2015
Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

A monsoon trough heads east-southeastward from north of Yap at 12N136E through circulations centered north of Pohnpei at 10N160E and north of Majuro at 9N171E before continuing beyond the date line at 6N. Scattered to numerous showers and isolated thunderstorms are seen much of Micronesia between 3N and 16N from 145E to 179E. This area includes Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae and Majuro.

Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam homepage: www.prh.noaa.gov/guam/

Micronesia

Guam And Rota	Thundershowers	▲86	▼77
Palau	Thunderstorms	▲86	▼79
Yap	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼78
Chuuk	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼79
Pohnpei	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼78
Kosrae	Thunderstorms	▲83	▼79
Majuro	Thunderstorms	▲84	▼80

Around the Globe

Auckland	Sunny	▲59	▼51
Beijing	Sunny	▲94	▼74
Hong Kong	Thunderstorms	▲89	▼82
Honolulu	Partly Cloudy	▲90	▼77
London	Thundershowers	▲76	▼64
Los Angeles	Sunny	▲88	▼65
Manila	Thundershowers	▲89	▼76
Melbourne	Showers	▲54	▼46
Miami	Thundershowers	▲93	▼78
New York	Mostly Sunny	▲86	▼66
Osaka	Thundershowers	▲92	▼79
Paris	Thunderstorms	▲87	▼66
Pusan	Showers	▲90	▼74
Rome	Sunny	▲94	▼73
Salem	Sunny	▲90	▼58
San Francisco	Partly Cloudy	▲69	▼58
Seoul	Thundershowers	▲90	▼70
Tokyo	Thundershowers	▲87	▼77
Washington, DC	Mostly Sunny	▲87	▼67

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Tides

Saipan Harbor

1:50 AM	Today	Low Tide:	1.1 Feet
6:54 AM	Today	High Tide:	1.8 Feet
2:12 PM	Today	Low Tide:	-0.2 Feet
8:58 PM	Today	High Tide:	1.8 Feet

Sunrise/Sunset

Today	6:03 AM	6:42 PM
Friday	6:03 AM	6:42 PM
Saturday	6:03 AM	6:41 PM
Sunday	6:03 AM	6:40 PM
Monday	6:03 AM	6:40 PM

Moonrise/Moonset

Today	4:37 AM	5:35 PM
Friday	5:27 AM	6:18 PM
Saturday	6:17 AM	7:00 PM
Sunday	7:05 AM	7:39 PM
Monday	7:52 AM	8:18 PM

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FLIGHT SCHEDULE AS OF JULY 2, 2015

DEPARTURES

SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)

UA5070	4:15am	5:05am	Daily
UA5068	8:00am	8:50am	3
UA5068	8:40am	9:30am	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7
UA5039	2:20pm	4:00pm	6, 7 via Rota
UA5078	3:10pm	4:00pm	1, 5
UA5038	3:10pm	4:00pm	2, 4
UA5040	6:55pm	7:45pm	1, 5
UA5078	8:35pm	9:25pm	2, 3, 4, 6, 7
UA5044	10:40pm	11:30pm	1, 5

SAIPAN-ROTA (ROP)

UA5039	2:20pm	2:55pm	6, 7

ROTA (ROP)-GUAM (GUM)

UA5039	3:25pm	4:00pm	6, 7

SAIPAN-PALAU (ROR)

DL287	6:05am	1:05am+1	2, 6 via NRT

SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)

DL287	6:05am	8:40am	1, 4, 5, 6
DL297	4:30pm	7:15pm	Daily

SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)

OZ626	2:20am	6:00am	1
OZ6063	2:25am	6:00am	3, 4, 6
OZ626	3:20am	7:00am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
7C3403	4:35am	8:20am	1, 2, 3, 6, 7
7C3403	5:25am	9:10am	4, 5
7C3401	3:15pm	7:35pm	3, 5, 6
7C3401	4:20pm	8:05pm	1, 2, 4, 7

SAIPAN-BUSAN (PUS)

OZ608	3:10am	6:20am	4, 7

SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)

3U8648	6:10am	8:40am	1, 4, 5, 7

SAIPAN-BEIJING (PEK)

MU764	1:30am	5:30am	3, 5, 7

SAIPAN-GUANGZHOU (CAN)

3U8646	4:20am	7:30am	2, 6

SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)

OZ626/701	2:20am	11:05am	1 via ICN
OZ6063/701	2:25am	11:05am	3, 4, 6 via ICN
OZ626/701	3:20am	11:05am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
UA5070/191	4:15am	8:55am	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
UA5070/PR111	4:15am	9:20am	Daily via GUM
UA5070/183	4:15am	8:50pm	2, 5 via GUM
UA5070/183	4:15am	9:10pm	1, 3, 4, 6, 7 via GUM
DL287/275	6:05am	9:40pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 6 via NRT
UA5068/183	8:00am	9:10pm	3 via GUM
UA5068/183	8:40am	8:50pm	2, 5 via GUM
UA5068/183	8:40am	9:10pm	1, 4, 6, 7 via GUM
UA5039/183	2:20pm	9:10pm	6, 7 via Rota-GUM
UA5038/183	3:10pm	8:50pm	2 via GUM
UA5078/183	3:10pm	8:50pm	5 via GUM
UA5078/183	3:10pm	9:10pm	1 via GUM
UA5038/183	3:10pm	9:10pm	4 via GUM

SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)

OZ626	2:20am	6:00am	1
OZ6063	2:25am	6:00am	3, 4, 6
OZ626	3:20am	7:00am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
OZ626/721	2:20am	11:50am	1 via ICN
OZ6063/721	2:25am	11:50am	3, 4, 6 via ICN
OZ626/721	3:20am	11:50am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
UA5070/179	4:15am	9:55pm	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
UA5068/179	8:00am	9:55pm	3 via GUM
UA5068/179	8:40am	9:55pm	1, 5, 6 via GUM
UA5039/179	2:20pm	9:55pm	6 via Rota-GUM
UA5078/179	3:10pm	9:55pm	1, 5 via GUM

ARRIVALS

GUAM (GUM)-SAIPAN

UA5069	2:45am	3:35am	Daily
UA5071	6:40am	7:30am	3
UA5071	7:15am	8:05am	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7
UA5039	1:00pm	1:50pm	6, 7
UA5038	1:00pm	2:35pm	2, 4 via Rota
UA5077	1:50pm	2:40pm	1, 5
UA5041	5:35pm	6:25pm	1, 5
UA5077	7:15pm	8:05pm	2, 3, 4, 6, 7
UA5043	9:20pm	10:10pm	1, 5

GUAM (GUM)-ROTA (ROP)

UA5038	1:00pm	1:35pm	2, 4

ROTA (ROP)-SAIPAN

UA5038	2:05pm	2:40pm	2, 4

PALAU (ROR)-SAIPAN

DL298	4:30am	2:55pm	3, 7 via NRT

NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN

DL298	10:25am	2:55pm	Daily
DL288	8:55pm	1:25am+1	3, 4, 5, 7

SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN

7C3402	8:45am	2:15pm	3, 5, 6
7C3402	9:30am	3:20pm	1, 2, 4, 7
OZ625	7:40pm	1:10am+1	7
OZ6053	7:55pm	1:25am+1	2, 3, 5, 6
OZ625	8:20pm	1:50am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
7C3404	10:10pm	3:40am+1	Daily

BUSAN (PUS)-SAIPAN

OZ607	9:05pm	1:55am+1	3, 6

SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN

3U8647	10:40pm	5:00am+1	3, 4, 6, 7

BEIJING (PEK)-SAIPAN

MU763	4:30pm	12:30am+1	2, 4, 6

GUANGZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN

3U8645	7:40pm	3:00am+1	1, 5

MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN

DL276/288	9:30am	1:25am+1	1, 3, 4, 5, 7 via NRT
UA190/5077	9:55am	8:05pm	2, 3, 6, 7 via GUM
OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ702/6053	12:15pm	1:25am+1	2, 3, 5, 6 via ICN
OZ702/625	12:15pm	1:50am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
PR110/UA5071	10:05pm	7:30am+1	3 via GUM
PR110/UA5071	10:05pm	8:05am+1	1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 via GUM
UA184/5071	10:25pm	8:05am+1	1, 3, 4, 6, 7 via GUM
UA184/5039	10:25pm	1:50pm+1	6 via GUM
UA184/5038	10:25pm	2:40pm+1	1, 3 via GUM-Rota
UA184/5077	10:25pm	2:40pm+1	4, 7 via GUM
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UA184/5043	10:25pm	10:10pm+1	4, 7 via GUM
UA184/5071	11:30pm	7:30am+1	2 via GUM
UA184/5071	11:30pm	8:05am+1	5 via GUM
UA184/5071	11:30pm	1:50pm+1	5 via GUM
UA184/5077	11:30pm	8:05pm+1	2, 5 via GUM

HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN

OZ722/625	1:10pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
OZ722/6053	1:10pm	1:25am+1	2, 3, 5, 6 via ICN
OZ722/625	1:10pm	1:50am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
UA180/5071	9:55pm	8:05am+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM
UA180/5039	9:55pm	1:50pm+1	5, 6 via GUM
UA180/5077	9:55pm	2:35pm+1	1, 3 via GUM-Rota
UA180/5077	9:55pm	8:05pm+1	1, 3, 5, 6 via GUM

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9:30AM	9:45AM	Daily
10:30AM	10:45AM	Daily
11:30AM	11:45AM	Daily
12:30NN	12:45NN	Daily
1:30PM	1:45PM	Daily
2:30PM	2:45PM	Daily
3:30PM	3:45PM	Daily
4:30PM	4:45PM	Daily
5:30PM	5:45PM	Daily
6:30PM	6:45PM	Daily

SAIPAN TO TINIAN

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
7:00AM	7:15AM	Daily
8:00AM	8:15AM	Daily
9:00AM	9:15AM	Daily
10:00AM	10:15AM	Daily
11:00AM	11:15AM	Daily
12:00NN	12:15NN	Daily
1:00PM	1:15PM	Daily
2:00PM	2:15PM	Daily
3:00PM	3:15PM	Daily
4:00PM	4:15PM	Daily
5:00PM	5:15PM	Daily
6:00PM	6:15PM	Daily

SAIPAN TO ROTA

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
7:45AM	8:15AM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
4:00PM	4:30PM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat

ROTA TO SAIPAN

DEPARTURE	ARRIVAL	FREQUENCY
8:30AM	9:00AM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat
4:45PM	5:15PM	Mon, Tues,Wed, Thu, Fri, Sat

Business

Hackers accused of making $100M by stealing a look at press releases

NEWARK, N.J. (AP)—An international web of hackers and traders made $100 million on Wall Street by stealing a look at corporate press releases before they went out and then trading on that information ahead of the pack, federal authorities charged Tuesday.

Authorities said it was the biggest scheme of its kind ever prosecuted, and one that demonstrated another alarming vulnerability in the financial system in this age of increasingly sophisticated cybercrime.

In a 21st-century twist on insider trading, the hackers broke into the computers of some of the biggest business newswire services, which put out earnings announcements and other press releases for a multitude of corporations.

Nine people in the U.S. and Ukraine were indicted on federal criminal charges, including securities fraud, computer fraud and conspiracy. And the Securities and Exchange Commission brought civil charges against the nine plus 23 other people and companies in the U.S. and Europe.

The case "illustrates the risks posed for our global markets by today's sophisticated hackers," SEC chief Mary Jo White said. "Today's international case is unprecedented in terms of the scope of the hacking at issue, the number of traders involved, the number of securities unlawfully traded and the amount of profits generated."

The nine indicted include two people described as Ukrainian computer hackers and six stock traders. Prosecutors said the defendants made $30 million from their part of the scheme.

Authorities said that beginning in 2010 and continuing as recently as May, the hackers gained access to more than 150,000 press releases that were about to be issued by Marketwired of Toronto; PR Newswire in New York; and Business Wire of San Francisco. The press releases contained earnings figures and other corporate information.

The defendants then used roughly 800 of those news releases to make trades before the information came out, exploiting a time gap ranging from hours to three days, prosecutors said.

A strong earnings report or other positive news can cause a company's stock to rise, while disappointing news can make it fall. The conspirators typically used the advance information to buy stock options, which are essentially a bet on the direction a stock will move.

In 2013, for example, the hackers got an early peek at a press release from Panera Bread Co. announcing that it was lowering its earnings projections. The hacking ring bet correctly the stock would fall when the news came out, and turned a profit of about $1 million the very next day, according to the indictment.

The hackers were routinely paid a cut of the profits, prosecutors alleged.

"This is the story of a traditional securities fraud scheme with a twist—one that employed a contemporary approach to a conventional crime," said Diego Rodriguez, head of the FBI's New York office.

Five defendants were arrested in the U.S. on Tuesday, and warrants were issued for four others in Ukraine.

Get co-workers to join your complaint or drop it

YOUR OFFICE COACH

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Q: The woman in the next cubicle is driving me crazy. "Helen" is a heavy smoker, so she coughs all the time. Her cell phone rings constantly with calls from her kids, and she conducts these conversations in a very loud voice. She also eats breakfast and lunch at her desk every day.

I have started wearing headphones to reduce the noise, but I can't escape the smelly food that Helen brings to work. Since we don't have a break room, there's not much I can do about her desktop lunches, but I feel she should be required to eat breakfast at home.

Now I'm trying to decide whether I should discuss this issue with our manager. I have already told her about Helen's frequent personal calls, but she doesn't seem to care. The two of them are friends outside of work, so there may be some favoritism here. What do you think I should do?

A: Given that Helen and your boss are buddies, you should be careful about complaining too much. Although manager-employee friendships are generally ill-advised, that's the reality you are dealing with. You will therefore have to weigh your desire to gripe about food odors against the risk of aggravating your manager.

Fortunately, however, you are not the only one capable of lodging a complaint. If Helen is as annoying as you say, other co-workers undoubtedly have problems with her as well. If a couple of them would be willing to join you in this protest, then it becomes a group issue, not a personality conflict.

On the other hand, if no one else seems to share your exasperation with Helen, then perhaps you are overreacting. In that case, you should shift your attention elsewhere and stop wasting so much emotional energy on this talkative and hungry woman.

Q: Although I have been in this job for several years, I checked out mentally a long time ago. I feel alienated and unmotivated, but I'm not sure what's wrong. I just know that I'm never very happy at work.

I have stayed with this company because the pay is good and I like the flexible schedule. However, I wish that I could feel some excitement about my job. Should I try to improve my current situation or just start over somewhere else?

A: If your disillusionment is being triggered by this particular workplace, then finding another employer would be the logical solution. But if you have personal issues which interfere with your overall adjustment to work, changing jobs will only shift your problem to a different location.

Sorting this out will require some careful self-examination. Review your work history and recall how you felt in previous positions. If this is your first job, then think about school. If your prior experiences were generally positive, relocating may be the answer. But if you have always felt dissatisfied, talking with a helpful counselor or career coach might be a better strategy.

Nation

Texas officer who killed teen fired

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP)—A police officer who killed an unarmed college football player during a suspected burglary at a Texas car dealership was fired Tuesday for making mistakes that the city's police chief said caused a deadly confrontation that put him and other officers in danger.

Arlington officer Brad Miller, 49, could also face criminal charges once police complete their investigation, Police Chief Will Johnson said.

Called to the scene of a suspected burglary early Friday morning, Miller pursued 19-year-old Christian Taylor through the broken glass doors of a car dealership showroom without telling his supervising officer, Johnson said.

Instead of helping to set up a perimeter around the showroom, Miller confronted Taylor and ordered him to get down on the ground, Johnson said. Taylor did not comply. Instead, he began "actively advancing toward Officer Miller," Johnson said.

Miller's field training officer, who had followed Miller into the showroom, drew his own Taser. The training officer heard a single pop of what he thought was Miller's Taser, but Miller actually had drawn his service weapon and fired it at Taylor, who is believed to have been 7 to 10 feet away from the officer, Johnson said. After Taylor continued to approach, Miller fired his gun three more times.

"This is an extraordinarily difficult case," Johnson said. "Decisions were made that created an environment of cascading consequences and an unrecoverable outcome."

The Arlington Municipal Patrolman's Association issued a statement Tuesday night decrying Johnson's decision. The group said it supports "Miller's right to be judged fairly and completely on facts instead of a snapshot developed in only days," and also expressed sympathy for Taylor's family.

"We again ask that citizens obey the commands of police officers in order to prevent these tragedies from occurring in the future," the association said.

An attorney for Miller did not have an immediate comment on Johnson's announcement. Taylor's family did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

AP
This undated file photo provided by the Arlington Police Department shows police officer Brad Miller, who killed an unarmed college football player during a suspected burglary at a Texas car dealership.

Clinton relents, gives up possession of private email server

WASHINGTON (AP)—Hillary Rodham Clinton relented Tuesday to months of demands she relinquish the personal email server she used while secretary of state, directing the device be given to the Justice Department.

The decision advances the investigation into the Democratic presidential front-runner's use of a private email account as the nation's top diplomat, and whether classified information was improperly sent via and stored on the home-brew email server she ran from her house in suburban New York City.

Clinton campaign spokesman Nick Merrill said she has "pledged to cooperate with the government's security inquiry, and if there are more questions, we will continue to address them."

It's not clear if the device will yield any information—Clinton's attorney said in March that no emails from the main personal address she used while secretary of state still "reside on the server or on back-up systems associated with the server."

Clinton had to this point refused demands from Republican critics to turn over the server to a third party, with attorney David Kendall telling the House committee investigating the 2012 attacks in Benghazi, Libya, that "there is no basis to support the proposed third-party review of the server."

Republicans jumped on Tuesday's decision to change course, as well as the additional disclosure that two emails that traversed Clinton's personal system were subsequently given one of the government's highest classification ratings.

"All this means is that Hillary Clinton, in the face of FBI scrutiny, has decided she has run out of options," Republican National Committee Chairman Reince Priebus said in a statement. "She knows she did something wrong and has run out of ways to cover it up."

Federal investigators have begun looking into the security of Clintons' email setup amid concerns from the inspector general for the intelligence community that classified information may have passed through the system.

Protesters gather in Ferguson for peaceful demonstration

FERGUSON, Mo. (AP)—About 100 protesters gathered along West Florissant Avenue in Ferguson late Tuesday in a demonstration that was decidedly smaller and calmer than others on recent nights.

Attendees mostly mingled quietly along the side of the road. Some chanted, and a few held signs. Police officers, most wearing riot gear, appeared to outnumber protesters.

The St. Louis suburb has seen demonstrations for days marking the anniversary of the death of 18-year-old Michael Brown, whose shooting death by a Ferguson police officer sparked a national "Black Lives Matter" movement. Tuesday was the fifth consecutive night a crowd gathered on West Florissant, the thoroughfare that was the site of massive protests and rioting after Brown was killed. Other nights drew hundreds of people, and one protest earlier in the week was disrupted by gunfire.

Larry Miller, 58, organizer of the protest group Ferguson Freedom Fighters, said late Tuesday that it was clear the latest round of demonstrations were dying down. He wasn't convinced much was accomplished.

"We already know what needs to be happening is not happening," Miller said. "We're still bothered over the killing of Mike Brown because we still need police reform, criminal justice system reform."

The first sign of any tension Tuesday came after a couple of dozen people walked into the road. Officers including St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar escorted them back to the shoulder. The chief helped clear the street a night earlier too, when he strode into the road wearing neither a helmet nor a shield and spoke with demonstrators, urging calm.

Asia

Japan restarts reactor after break due to Fukushima

TOKYO (AP)—A power plant operator in southern Japan restarted a nuclear reactor, the first to begin operating under new safety requirements following the Fukushima disaster, and said Wednesday that there has been no major problem so far.

Kyushu Electric Power Co. said Tuesday it had restarted the No. 1 reactor at its Sendai nuclear plant as planned. The restart marks Japan's return to nuclear energy four-and-half-years after the 2011 meltdowns at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in northeastern Japan following an earthquake and tsunami.

The plant said the nuclear chain reaction started safely late Tuesday.

The national broadcaster NHK showed plant workers in the control room as they turned the reactor back on. Tomomitsu Sakata, a spokesman for Kyushu Electric Power, said the reactor was put back online without any problems.

The Fukushima disaster displaced more than 100,000 people due to radioactive contamination and spurred a national debate over this resource-scarce country's reliance on nuclear power.

AP

A protester shouts slogans during an anti-nuclear rally in front of Prime Minister's official residence in Tokyo, Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015.

A majority of Japanese oppose the return to nuclear energy. Dozens of protesters, including ex-Prime Minister Naoto Kan, who was in office at the time of the disaster and has become an outspoken critic of nuclear power, were gathered outside the plant as police stood guard.

"Accidents are unpredictable, that's why they happen. And certainly not all the necessary precautions for such accidents have been taken here," Kan shouted to the crowd of about 300 people.

The Nuclear Regulation Authority affirmed the safety of the Sendai reactor and another one at the plant last September under stricter safety rules imposed after the 2011 accident, the worst since the 1986 Chernobyl explosion.

The Sendai No. 1 reactor is scheduled to start generating power Friday and reach full capacity next month. The second Sendai reactor is due to restart in October.

Australians to vote on gay marriage if government elected

CANBERRA, Australia (AP)—Prime Minister Tony Abbott said Wednesday that Australians would get a chance to vote on legalizing gay marriage if they re-elect his government next year—a promise his opponents argue is a stalling tactic to sideline the divisive issue ahead of the vote.

Abbott's ruling conservative coalition all but doomed legislation that would allow gay marriage by refusing to allow its lawmakers a free vote on the issue.

Coalition lawmakers voted at a meeting Tuesday night saying members had to follow the party line that marriage should be lawful only between a man and a woman.

The outcome is a victory for Abbott, a former Roman Catholic seminarian who has been described as Australia's most socially conservative prime minister in decades. However, a vote on the legislation could damage his leadership if government lawmakers broke ranks to support gay marriage.

Abbott extended an olive branch to marriage equality advocates, offering to allow the public to vote on gay marriage in a plebiscite if his government retains power at the next election. Currently the governing coalition trails the opposition Labor Party in opinion polls.

"The only way to successfully and satisfactorily settle this matter, given that it is so personal and given that so many people have strong feelings on either side of this—the only way to settle it with the least rancor, if you like, is to ask the people to make a choice," Abbott told reporters.

"That means that going into the next election, you'll have the Labor Party which wants it to go to a Parliamentary vote and you've got the coalition that wants it to go to a people's vote," he said.

Despite the ruling party decision, one government lawmaker, backbencher Warren Entsch, plans to introduce a private-member's bill to Parliament on Monday that would allow same-sex marriage. But Enstch and other supporters concede that any bill will fail because government lawmakers will not be allowed to vote freely.

Opposition leader Bill Shorten, who introduced a same-sex marriage bill in June, has not given up hope that the Parliament will legalize gay marriage before the next election.

ASIAN BRIEFS

Abu Sayyaf militants behead hostage in south PH

MANILA, Philippines (AP)—Abu Sayyaf extremists beheaded a kidnapped village leader and threatened to kill two other hostages in the southern Philippines if a ransom was not paid, officials said Wednesday. Brig. Gen. Alan Arrojado said the militants identified the slain hostage as Rodolfo Buligao in a note they left on his decapitated body, which was found on a roadside in Maimbung town in Sulu province late Tuesday. The militants led by Abu Sayyaf commander Yassir Igasan, who killed Buligao, have threatened to behead two coast guard personnel who were kidnapped with Buligao in May. "They have threatened to kill the two other captives anytime," Arrojado said. The Abu Sayyaf, with about 400 gunmen split into a few factions, is on a U.S. list of terrorist organizations for deadly bombings, kidnappings for ransom and beheadings.

Landslide in central China traps 40 people in mining town

BEIJING (AP)—Authorities say a landslide at a mining community in central China has buried several dormitories and some homes, trapping 40 people. The fire department in the mountainous county of Shanyang in Shaanxi province says 15 dormitories of the Wuzhou Mining Company were buried, along with three residential homes in the area. It says 14 people have been rescued, and that further efforts are continuing. State broadcaster CCTV says the area was struck by recent heavy rains. It says rescuers are hampered by steep and rough terrain, and that they are filling in a stream to build a road to allow heavy machinery better access to the site. The company mines vanadium, an element used in steel alloys.

World

UN peacekeepers accused of deaths, rape

UNITED NATIONS (AP)—Amnesty International is accusing U.N. peacekeepers of indiscriminately killing a 16-year-old boy and his father and raping a 12-year-old girl in separate incidents in Central African Republic, the latest in a series of sexual and other allegations against peacekeepers there.

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is "personally dismayed and disappointed," his spokesman said Tuesday. "We would like to emphasize once more that no misconduct of this nature will be tolerated," Stephane Dujarric told reporters.

The U.N., however, has no powers of criminal investigation or prosecution, leaving it up to peacekeepers' home countries—which U.N. officials often don't name publicly.

Amnesty International said the two incidents on Aug. 2 and 3 occurred as the peacekeepers from Rwanda and Cameroon were carrying out an operation in the capital, Bangui. U.N. peacekeepers have been in the country since September to try to calm unprecedented, deadly violence between Christians and Muslims.

The girl was hiding in a bathroom when a man wearing a U.N. peacekeeping helmet and vest "took her outside and raped her behind a truck," a statement from the human rights group said. It said a nurse who examined the girl "found medical evidence consistent with sexual assault."

The next day, after armed clashes with residents had killed a soldier from Cameroon and wounded several others, peacekeepers went to the area and "began shooting indiscriminately in the street where the killings had taken place," the group said.

Amnesty International said resident Balla Hadji, 61, and his son Souleimane Hadji, 16, were shot and killed outside their home. The group said it interviewed 15 witnesses immediately after both incidents, plus the 12-year-old girl and her family.

"An independent civilian investigation must be urgently launched, and those implicated must be suspended immediately and for the duration of the investigation," the organization's senior crisis response adviser, Joanne Mariner, said.

But one week after the U.N. was first informed of the allegations, it was not clear just how the peacekeeping mission in Central African Republic was looking into them. The U.N. peacekeeping office in New York wasn't informed until Monday, despite its recent order to all peacekeeping missions to immediately tell it about any such allegations.

Leaked documents raise anger over Palestinian corruption

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP)—Documents leaked online detailing two attempts by Palestinian officials to misuse public funds have triggered outrage, highlighting the corruption and mismanagement critics say remains rampant in the Palestinian government.

The furor over the documents comes as the Palestinian economy is stagnating and Palestinians grow increasingly displeased with government services. Palestinian Authority officials have defended their record on stamping out corruption, saying they've recovered millions of dollars in misspent funds.

A senior Palestinian official, speaking on condition of anonymity as he wasn't allowed to discuss the leak, confirmed the documents authenticity to The Associated Press. They have offered a rare glimpse into the wheeling and dealing of the Palestinian government, long bogged down by rivalries.

One document signed by Majdi al-Khaldi, a diplomatic adviser to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas who accompanies him on his trips to world capitals, asked Bahrain's foreign minister for $4 million to fund a private neighborhood complex for Palestinian officials in an upscale area of Ramallah in the West Bank. He insisted the complex was "meant to resist the Israeli settlements," even though there are no settlements where the complex was built.

Opposing Jewish settlements in the West Bank is a major rallying cry for Palestinians, who demand the territory that Israel captured in the 1967 Mideast war as part of their future state, along with the Gaza Strip and east Jerusalem. It isn't clear if Bahrain ever paid the money. Al-Khaldi declined to comment when reached by the AP.

The other document by Nazmi Muhanna, general director of the Palestinian Crossing and Borders Authority, requested the government pay for his daughter's schooling as well as medical treatment for his family in Jordan for a total of $15,000, a hefty sum for many Palestinians. Muhanna defended his demand, saying it was permitted by the Palestinian government. The government later said it did not cover those expenses.

Outrage over the documents quickly spread on social media, where Palestinians challenged everything from their leadership's finances to its political legitimacy in the face of repeatedly delayed elections, last held in 2005.

Mapuche indigenous culture thrives in Chile and abroad

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP)—Nestled between high-rise buildings on a busy street in Chile's modern capital is a straw hut that's a sign of growing respect for the Andean country's long-disdained indigenous past.

Ailing patients, many referred by a hospital across the street, line up to see the Mapuche herbalist inside as part of a government initiative to incorporate pre-Hispanic knowledge into Chile's public health system.

Mapuche culture, long looked down upon in Chile, is slowly becoming chic.

"I'm not Mapuche but I believe in their culture," said Elba Soto, 56, who often comes to the ruka—a traditional Mapuche thatched home—looking for herbs and ointments to ease the pain in her bones. "And I love all of it."

The geometrical designs of the Mapuche have made their way into fashion shows from New York to Paris, their food is inspiring high-end cuisine and popular singer Ana Tijoux waves the multicolored Mapuche flag during her concerts and raps about their struggle in her Grammy-nominated albums. Television stations even compete for ratings with shows about the country's largest indigenous group.

"The Mapuche today are not just folklore. The Mapuche today are a cultural icon and a pop-cultural icon," said Pedro Cayuqueo, a Mapuche author and host of "KulMapu," a popular TV show profiling everything Mapuche that is broadcast on CNN Chile. "It makes people in rock, film and gastronomy become interested and stop looking at the Mapuche in a paternalistic way, but as something that's cool."

The Mapuche, a name that means "people of the land" in their original language, resisted invaders for centuries—first the mighty Incan empire, then the Spanish conquistadors who arrived five centuries ago in the area now known as Chile.

The Mapuche ultimately won treaties with the Chilean state recognizing their right to everything south of the Bio Bio river, or roughly the entire southern half of the long, thin country.

Life & Style

'Downton Abbey' honored by BAFTA at star-studded ceremony

LONDON (AP)—Just like its fans around the world, "Downton Abbey" creator Julian Fellowes doesn't seem to be able to let this series go so easily.

The British writer has not even wrapped shooting the last scene for the sixth—and final—season of the wildly successful series, but he is already gunning for a movie.

"I doubt it would be a prequel. I mean, if the movie happens it would be a continuous one with the same people," he said in London Tuesday before a British Film and Television Academy ceremony honoring the series.

"I'd like a movie. I think it'd be fun," he added.

"BAFTA Celebrates 'Downton Abbey'" was a chance for the cast members, who finish shooting this week and have already said a number of goodbyes, to have an instant reunion.

Some—like Laura Carmichael, who plays Lady Edith—still have a few days to prepare emotionally for the last "cut."

"The last day is Friday," she said. "I've already blubbed saying goodbye to different cast members, so I'm sure I won't be able to speak."

Elizabeth McGovern said that she wasn't as stoic as she thought she'd be.

"I decided I wouldn't cry, but I did. I shed a few tears," confided McGovern.

Her on-screen husband Hugh Bonneville, who plays Lord Grantham, took a more practical approach to saying goodbye to cast members he's worked with for the past six years.

"I finished yesterday along with Michelle Dockery (who plays Lady Mary) and Allen Leech (who plays Tom Branson)," he reported, "and we had a pint in the pub to say farewell."

The stars agreed they'll miss the friends they've made along the way—and will also hate giving up their cinematic alter egos.

"I will miss being Mrs. Hughes," said Phyllis Logan, "because she's become part of me for the past six years. So, yeah, I need to hang up the keys and go on for the rest of my life without her."

Jeb Bush is opening night guest for Colbert's 'Late Show'

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Republican presidential contender Jeb Bush will be an opening-night guest on Stephen Colbert's late-night show.

In a tweet posted Tuesday, the former "Colbert Report" host said Bush will join him on the Sept. 8 debut of CBS' "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert."

"My first GOP candidate!" his Twitter post said, then poked fun at the size of the GOP field. "Luckily I do 200 shows a year, so I think I can fit them all."

Bush responded in lighthearted kind.

"Only if you have at least two of us on each show. Looking forward to joining your first #LSSC next month!" Bush tweeted, using the hashtag for Colbert's show.

CBS confirmed that the former Florida governor will be on the inaugural show, which will include George Clooney.

AP
Stephen Colbert participates in "The Late Show with Stephen Colbert" segment of the CBS Summer TCA Tour at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Monday, Aug. 10, 2015, in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Driver fatigue cited as cause of crash that injured comedian

WASHINGTON (AP)—A fatigued Wal-Mart truck driver failed to slow down despite a warning and was responsible for a highway crash last year that severely injured comedian Tracy Morgan and killed another comedian, the National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday.

However, the board also said the failure of Morgan and other passengers riding in a limousine-van to wear seatbelts and adjusted headrests contributed to the severity of injuries when the limo was struck by the truck.

Morgan

The safety board has long raised concerns about operator fatigue leading to accidents across all modes of transportation, from airline pilots to train engineers.

Investigators said that the driver, Kevin Roper could have prevented the June 7, 2014 crash if he had slowed to 45 mph (72 kph), the posted speed limit for the construction work zone on the New Jersey Turnpike where the crash occurred.

Investigators have said the truck was traveling at 65 mph (105 kph) and that it was slow to react to a sign lowering the speed limit to 45 mph (72 kph) in a construction zone. They also have said the truck was traveling at a rate of speed of 47 to 53 mph (75 to 85 kph) when it hit the limousine.

Federal accident investigators had said during the hearing that the turnpike crash raised significant safety issues involving driver fatigue and truck safety.

Roper had been awake for the previous 28 hours, board investigators told the meeting, which was aimed at determining the

Britney Spears to guest star on The CW's 'Jane the Virgin'

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP)—Britney Spears is getting ready to meet "Jane the Virgin."

The pop singer will guest star in an upcoming episode of the Golden Globe-nominated series, The CW network announced Tuesday.

The opportunity came about after "Jane's" executive producer, Jennie Snyder Urman, heard Spears was a big fan of the show.

Spears will play herself, who happens to be Jaime Camil's character, Rogelio de la Vega's, nemesis.

She will appear on the fifth episode of the second season which premieres Oct. 12 at 9pm EDT on The CW.

Garcia Marquez's ashes to be held in his native Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)—The cremated remains of Nobel Prize-winning novelist Gabriel Garcia Marquez are making their return journey home to Colombia and starting in December will be exhibited in the Caribbean city of Cartagena where he began his writing career.

The decision to permanently exhibit the remains at colonial-era cloister in the port city's historic downtown was the result of an agreement reached between authorities and Garcia Marquez's family, Juan Carlos Gossain, governor of Bolivar state, told The Associated Press.

While books such as "100 Years of Solitude" are infused with Garcia Marquez's reminiscences from his Colombian upbringing, many speculated his ashes would remain in Mexico, where he lived for decades and received a state funeral following his death in 2014 at the age of 87.

Colombian friends of the author, who is known almost universally as "Gabo," celebrated the decision.

Garcia Marquez, who was born in a banana-growing hamlet near the Caribbean, arrived in Cartagena in 1948 and immediately landed a job as a journalist at local newspaper El Universal while continuing his law studies.

The walled city was the setting for one of his best-selling novels, "Love in the Time of Cholera," and his family still maintains a seafront house there as well as a foundation established by the author to train Latin American journalists.

"These first years in Cartagena were a transcendent moment in the young writer's life," fellow writer and longtime confidant Plinio Apuleyo Mendoza told The Associated Press. "Cartagena is at the center of the vast Caribbean region that was so linked to his life, his experiences and his work."

Forward thinking can help parents deal with cancer

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing in response to "Not Talking About the Future" (March 24), whose wife has breast cancer, was told she has only a few years to live, and feels sad when her kids talk about their futures. My dad was diagnosed with stage four multiple myeloma, a type of blood cancer, in 2006. He was told that even the most aggressive treatment would buy him only two or three more years. Well, he's now working on year nine.

While I must admit that it's been hard at times for me to stay positive about his prognosis, I try not to let it show. Instead, every chance I get, I talk about the future with him—holiday plans, plans for my wedding next year, projects around his house, etc. It helps to take his mind off the pain and nastiness of his treatments and gets him thinking about positive things.

Forward thinking has been great medicine for Dad. "Not Talking" and his wife don't really know how much more time she actually has, and it certainly doesn't hurt to think positively.

LOOKING AHEAD IN GLENDALE, ARIZ.

DEAR LOOKING: Thank you for your upbeat message. Read on for a sampling of what other readers had to say about that letter:

DEAR ABBY: "Not Talking" asked if he should shield his sick wife from discussions involving the future. One thing my mom, who died last year, did for the future was to take a video of herself visiting with her grand-nephews so they would have it to look at when they are older. She also bought—or gave us— things for our future adopted child, to give to him or her later on. She crafted notebooks for us to hand out at her memorial service, so everyone would have something to cherish from her.

"Not Talking's" wife may want to consider doing some of these things. I send her, and everyone else dealing with cancer, a prayer of peace.

PROUD DAUGHTER, VANCOUVER, WASH.

DEAR ABBY: I was 13 when my father found out he had cancer. I didn't know what it was, and no one in my family sat me down and told me he was going to die. He passed away at a hospital out of town, and I wasn't there when it happened. When I was told, I was heartbroken.

Now, as an adult, I am crushed that I wasn't able to have the conversations with him I needed—about his boyhood, grandparents, his time in the Navy, my dreams, and just spending precious time with him. I would suggest that "Not Talking" and his wife tell their teens about her prognosis of three to four years. They deserve to know. They should have the opportunity to discuss what's going on in their lives and allow their mom to reflect on her own life, and her hopes and dreams for her kids.

MISSING MY DAD IN INDIANA

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: Being a teenager is challenging, but having a dying parent can make it excruciating. No matter how mature the teens appear, they are not ready to deal with what is coming.

The family may benefit from the Stephen Ministries program (stephenministries.org). Stephen Ministers are trained lay volunteers assigned to provide one-to-one care to people experiencing a difficult time in life. Many Christian denominations participate. The parents can contact their local congregation to see if the program is available.

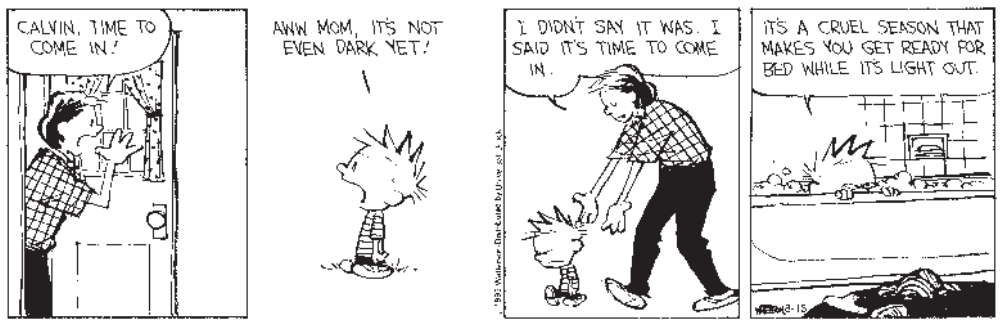
BEEN THERE IN FORT WORTH

Good advice for everyone – teens to seniors – is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send your name and mailing address, plus check or money order for $7 (U.S. funds) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Shipping and handling are included in the price.)

Pastimes

Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson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DID THE WARM MILK HELP LAST NIGHT?
SORT OF HARD TO SAY AFTER ALL THE GAGGING.

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS
1 Lady of the haus
5 Channel marker
9 To the — degree
12 Deserve
13 Nabisco product
14 Playwright Levin
15 Victoria Beckham, once
17 Snip
18 Plays for time
19 Strike zone's lower boundary
21 Exist
22 Sits for the paparazzi
24 Joker, e.g.
27 Scepter topper
28 Horse's halter?
31 Kyoto cummerbund
32 Pirouette pivot
33 Resistance measure
34 Wear a rut in the rug
36 Wall climber
37 What 28-Across means
38 Obliterate
40 Tagged player
41 Sunrises
43 With hands on hips
47 — Baba
48 Hawthorne's tales
51 Director Howard
52 Affluent
53 Gunk
54 Ball-bearing item
55 Curved molding
56 His and —

DOWN
1 Parker who played Daniel Boone
2 Engrossed
3 Met melody
4 Nude
5 Marshy areas
6 Swiss canton
7 "— the fields we go"
8 Whites' counterparts
9 Basketball "bravo"
10 Verifiable
11 Milliner's wares
16 Shade source
20 Just out
22 Verify
23 Do as you're told
24 Officer
25 "The — Daba Honeymoon"
26 Sake, e.g.
27 Elevator name
29 "Looky here!"
30 Pump up the volume
35 Sea eagle
37 Sew
39 Jetsons' dog
40 Eisenhower
41 Pub missile
42 Lotion additive
43 Rue the run
44 Oliver's request
45 Astigmatism factor
46 Probability
49 False hood?
50 Capades venue

Solution time: 24 mins.

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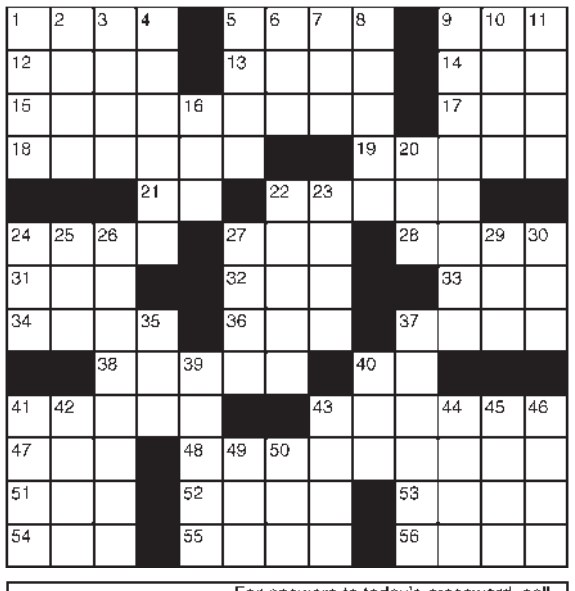
Yesterday's answer 8-13



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Happy Birthday: You'll have amazing ideas and the ability to learn as you go this year. Don't look back or let anything sidetrack you from reaching your goals. Change is inevitable, and greater accomplishments will be yours if you accept what comes your way and find ways to incorporate it into your plans. Your numbers are 6, 8, 15, 22, 31, 39, 47.

ARIES (*March 21-April 19*): Put more time and effort into self-improvement and honing skills that will help you advance. Being adaptable and willing to try something new will help you gain respect. Making plans with someone special will raise your standard of living. ✪✪✪✪

TAURUS (*April 20-May 20*): Weigh the pros and cons of any changes you are planning to make. It's important not to overlook any details. How you present what you have to offer will determine who is willing to help you excel. Knowledge will be key. ✪✪

GEMINI (*May 21-June 20*): Don't overreact to situations that cause concern at home. Communication can help if you stick to facts. Friends and relatives can help you see both sides of a situation clearly. Don't lose sight of your motives or your ethics. ✪✪✪✪

CANCER (*June 21-July 22*): Someone you encounter at an event about community or environmental concerns will influence you. Listen carefully and consider the consequences of being a follower. Speak up if you don't agree with something that someone is promoting. ✪✪✪

LEO (*July 23-Aug. 22*): Anger will lead you down the wrong path. Use your energy wisely and you will gain rather than lose ground. Make physical changes that will strengthen your position and help build your confidence. Positive actions will ensure good results. ✪✪✪

VIRGO (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*): Secrets will leave you feeling uncertain. Don't make assumptions based on false or limited information. Observe the changes going on around you, but don't be too eager to join forces with anyone until you are assured the benefits you require. ✪✪✪

LIBRA (*Sept. 23-Oct. 22*): Interacting with people who share your concerns will do wonders for you and your professional interests. Your sociable way of handling matters could impress someone in an active position to change your direction. Romance is in the stars. ✪✪✪✪

SCORPIO (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*): Change may be required, but don't give in to someone wanting everything his or her way. Use your intelligence, intuition and imagination to help you enforce the changes that are fair. Arguing is a waste of time. Make your offer and move on. ✪✪

SAGITTARIUS (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*): Be careful what you say and how much you promise. It won't pay to brag or exaggerate. Someone will call your bluff or question your motives. Bring about positive changes that are focused on self-improvement. ✪✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*): Use your head when it comes to personal affairs, contracts and negotiating a lifetime commitment. It's important to know what you want and what you are willing to give. Research will pay off. ✪✪✪

AQUARIUS (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*): Avoid impulsive actions when it comes to work-related matters. Remain calm and look for other possibilities before making a decision that will influence a friendship or partnership. Examine your motives before you proceed. Romance is encouraged. ✪✪✪

PISCES (*Feb. 19-March 20*): Your charm and insight will help you entice others to see things your way. An opportunity will surface through someone you least expect. Revisit an old idea and you will have success in reaching your goals. It's never too late to move forward. ✪✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are bright, articulate and masterful. You have flair and diplomacy.

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty Level ★★★ 8/13

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Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer

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By DAVID OUELLET

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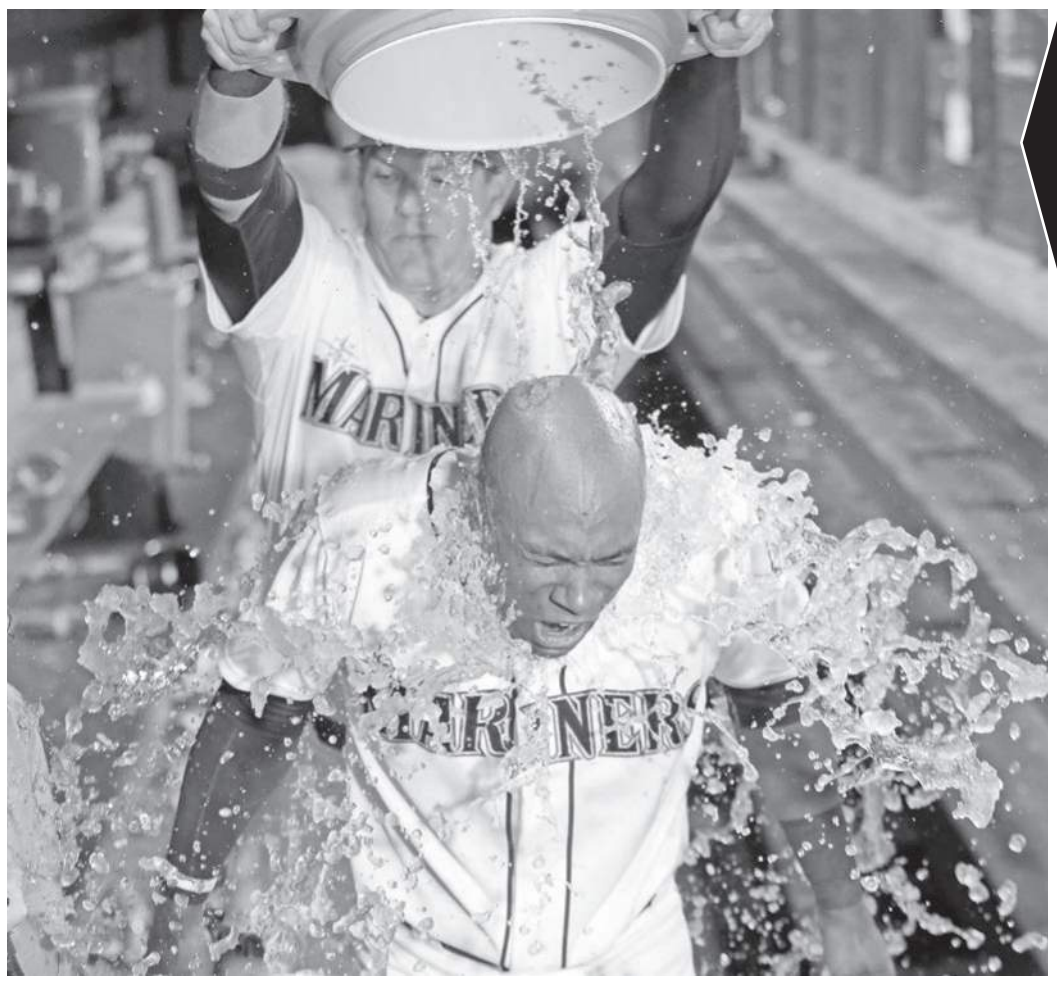
Jackson's single in 10th lifts Mariners over Orioles

SEATTLE (AP)—Austin Jackson hit a bases-loaded single in the 10th inning to give the Seattle Mariners a 6-5 victory over the Baltimore Orioles on Tuesday night, marking the first time since baseball expanded to 30 clubs that all 15 home teams won on the same day.

Jackson's single off reliever T.J. McFarland (0-2) down the right-field line scored Logan Morrison from third and finished off the major league schedule for the night.

The last time home teams went undefeated on a day with more than one game was an 8-0 record on Aug. 28, 2008—although road squads were 7-0 on April, 2, 2013, according to STATS. Arizona and Tampa Bay joined the majors in 1998, bringing the total to 30 teams.

STATS said the best performance by home teams had been 11-0, accomplished six times—three in the 1800s. The most recent occasion was Sept. 16, 1989.



AP

Seattle Mariners' Austin Jackson is hit with a bucket of water by teammate Logan Morrison as Jackson is interviewed after hitting in the winning run against the Baltimore Orioles in the 10th inning of a baseball game Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015, in Seattle.

Cardinals 4, Pirates 3

In St. Louis, Carlos Martinez was strongest at the end of his eight innings and Jason Heyward had two hits and two RBIs, helping St. Louis edge Pittsburgh in a matchup of the National League's top two teams.

Yadier Molina tied it with a sacrifice fly and rookie Stephen Piscotty singled in the go-ahead run on consecutive at-bats off Jeff Locke (6-7) in the fifth inning. Kolten Wong singled twice for his first multihit game of the month and Piscotty had three hits.

Trevor Rosenthal struck out the side in the ninth for his 34th save in 36 chances. The Cardinals lead the Pirates by six games in the NL Central and are 6-5 in the season series with seven of the games decided by one run and five in the final at-bat.

St. Louis is 72-40 overall, at 32 over .500 it matches the season's high water mark, and 41-16 at home—both major league bests.

Indians 5, Yankees 4, 16 innings

In Cleveland, Michael Brantley's RBI single with one out in the 16th inning lifted Cleveland to a victory over skidding New York, which lost its fourth straight and had its lead in the AL East over Toronto trimmed to a half-game.

Brantley hit a hard single off Branden Pinder (0-2) that first baseman Mark Teixeira couldn't handle and easily scored Jose Ramirez from second base. Brantley's clutch hit ended the 5-hour, 4-minute game and triggered just the second walk-off winning celebration by the Indians this season.

Austin Adams (2-0) worked a perfect inning and combined with seven other Cleveland pitchers to record 16 strikeouts.

The first four hitters in New York's lineup — Jacoby Ellsbury, Brett Gardner, Alex Rodriguez and Teixeira went a combined 1 for 25.

Cubs 6, Brewers 3

In Chicago, Anthony Rizzo and Jorge Soler each drove in two runs, Dan Haren picked up his first victory for the Cubs and Chicago won for the 11th time in 12 games.

The Brewers, last in the NL Central, announced earlier in the day that Doug Melvin is moving into an advisory role after 13 years as general manager.

The Cubs, meanwhile, continue to roll.

Haren (8-7), acquired from Miami on July 31, pitched into the sixth.

Rizzo had two hits, including an RBI double, and drew a bases-loaded walk. He is 19 for 42 in his past 12 games.

Soler extended his hitting streak to 10, and Chicago took advantage of three errors along with some wild pitching on the way to yet another win.

Dodgers 5, Nationals 0

In Los Angeles, Yasiel Puig drove in a career high-tying five runs with a homer and a triple, Zack Greinke pitched six sharp innings and Los Angeles defeated Washington to snap a season-worst four-game skid.

Greinke (12-2) allowed six hits, struck out six and walked four to remain unbeaten in his last 10 starts, going 7-0 in that span. He lowered his major league-leading ERA to 1.65.

Puig homered into the left-field pavilion in the fourth to score Andre Ethier, whose leadoff triple stood up after the Dodgers challenged the call. Replays showed third baseman Yunel Escobar didn't tag Ethier's leg before he reached the bag.

Blue Jays 4, Athletics 2

In Toronto, Jose Bautista hit a solo home run, Drew Hutchison pitched seven strong innings and Toronto won its ninth straight game, beating Oakland.

Toronto starting pitchers have held the opposition to three earned runs or fewer in 15 consecutive games.

Hutchison (11-2) allowed two runs and four hits in seven-plus innings. The right-hander hadn't completed seven innings since a complete-game victory over the Chicago White Sox on May 25.

Hutchison is 9-1 with a 2.68 ERA in 12 home starts and 2-1 with a 9.00 ERA in 11 road outings.

Roberto Osuna pitched the ninth for his 11th save.

Royals 6, Tigers 1

In Kansas City, Mo., Lorenzo Cain went 4 for 4 with a home run and Yordano Ventura pitched six scoreless innings as Kansas City defeated Detroit.

Cain, who raised his average to .316, led off the sixth with his 12th homer, a mammoth shot to left field. Mike Moustakas snapped an 0-for-18 drought with a homer to right field with Kendrys Morales aboard in the same inning.

Ventura (7-7), who is 3-1 since the All-Star break, limited the Tigers to two hits but walked a career-high six. He struck out eight, tying his season high.

Eric Hosmer hit a two-run homer in the first, giving him 21 RBIs in the opening inning.

Mets 4, Rockies 0

In New York, Matt Harvey pitched four-hit ball for eight innings, Ruben Tejada had a go-ahead single in the sixth and New York beat Colorado for the eighth straight time at Citi Field.

Juan Lagares had a two-run double in the eighth to help the Mets improve to 40-18 at home, matching last season's win total when they lost 41 at Citi Field.

Harvey (11-7) was dominant for a fourth straight start. He walked none for the third straight outing and struck out four, pitching to contact rather than overpowering the Rockies. He was lifted for pinch-hitter Curtis Granderson with the bases loaded in the eighth.

Granderson got a gift RBI from Boone Logan for the second straight night. He was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded Monday. This time Logan walked Granderson, who did not start against Chris Rusin (3-5), a lefty.

Lagares, who has lost most of his playing time since the arrival of Yoenis Cespedes, followed with the two-run double.

Twins 3, Rangers 2

In Minneapolis, Eduardo Escobar's two-out double in the ninth inning drove in the winning run, capping a late rally by Minnesota for a much-needed victory over Texas.

Joe Mauer and Miguel Sano tied the game with RBI doubles in the eighth, and Glen Perkins (1-3) pitched a scoreless ninth to pick up the win, just the seventh for the Twins in 23 games since the All-Star break.

Spencer Patton (1-1) quickly got the first two outs in the ninth, but he walked Kurt Suzuki before reaching the bottom of the order with Escobar, who grounded a full-count fastball down the right-field line. Suzuki scored easily and the Twins were able to smile and dance.

Giants 3, Astros 1

In San Francisco, Madison Bumgarner pitched a five-hitter with 12 strikeouts, Brandon Belt broke up a pitcher's duel with two solo homers, and San Francisco beat Houston.

Belt's homers, in the fourth and sixth innings, gave him 17 this season to match his career high also done in 2013. It was his third career multihomer game and second this year for the defending champion Giants, who bounced back at home after being swept by the Cubs in four games over the weekend at Wrigley Field.

Bumgarner (13-6) outpitched fellow southpaw Scott Kazmir (6-7) in an anticipated interleague matchup of top lefties for the World Series MVP's eighth career complete game and second this season. He didn't walk a batter in the 105-pitch gem.

Kazmir, who had allowed only one earned run for a 0.44 ERA in three starts since joining his hometown Astros in a July 23 trade from Oakland, committed two throwing errors while losing his second straight start.

White Sox 3, Angels 0

In Chicago, Carlos Rodon threw seven scoreless innings, Trayce Thompson hit his first career home run and Chicago beat Los Angeles.

Rodon (5-4) had struggled in his previous four starts, going 1-2 with a 9.33 ERA. He did considerably better Tuesday, striking out a career-high 11, allowing four hits and finishing seven innings for the first time for the White Sox, who have won the first two of the three-game series.

Hector Santiago (7-6) was making his first start at U.S. Cellular Field since being acquired by Los Angeles from the White Sox in a December 2013 three-team deal. He pitched 5 1/3 innings and gave up three runs and four hits while striking out four.

That wasn't enough to prevent the Angels from losing their eighth straight on the road, their longest streak since dropping nine in July 1993.

Padres 11, Reds 6

In San Diego, Colin Rea pitched well into the sixth inning in his major league debut and Jedd Gyorko homered and drove in four runs as San Diego beat Cincinnati.

San Diego scored three runs in the first and five more in the second as they chased Cincinnati starter Michael Lorenzen. Lorenzen (3-8) gave up seven runs on seven hits in his shortest outing of the season.

Rea (1-0) picked up the win after allowing three runs on seven hits while striking out four and walking one.

Gyorko singled home two runs in the first and then belted a two-run homer off the second-deck facade in in left field when Dylan Axelrod came in to replace Lorenzen in the second.

The Padres added three more runs in the third, giving Rea a comfortable advantage.

Rays 2, Braves 0

In St. Petersburg, Fla., Erasmo Ramirez pitched efficiently into the eighth inning for his first win in more than a month, Kevin Kiermaier hit a two-run homer and Tampa Bay beat Atlanta.

Kiermaier's fifth home run of the season—and first since June 3—came off Williams Perez one out after Asdrubal Cabrera's infield single.

Perez (4-3) gave up four hits in his first career complete game. Ramirez (9-4) won for the first time in five starts since July 10. Xavier Cedeno got his first save.

Marlins 5, Red Sox 4, 10 innings

In Miami, Dee Gordon tripled to lead off the 10th inning and scored on a walk-off base hit by Justin Bour to lift Miami to a come-from-behind win over Boston.

The Red Sox led 4-0 in the sixth inning before the Marlins climbed back into the game with two runs in the sixth, one in the seventh and one in the ninth before Bour's heroics in the 10th.

Bryan Morris (4-3) earned the victory with a scoreless 10th.

Five Marlins' relievers combined to retire the final 13 Boston hitters.

Diamondbacks 13, Phillies 1

In Phoenix, David Peralta hit a grand slam in an 11-run second inning and tied a career high with five RBIs, leading the Arizona Diamondbacks to a victory over Philadelphia.

The 11 runs—all off starter David Buchanan—were the second-most scored in an inning in Diamondbacks' history. Peralta and Aaron Hill hit home runs and Jeremy Hellickson becoming the second pitcher in club history to collect two hits in one inning.

Hellickson (8-8) allowed an unearned run and seven hits and struck out six, improving to 6-1 in his last seven home starts.

The 11 runs allowed by the Phillies were the most they gave up since allowing 12 on May 31, 1975.

‘Deflategate’ brings Brady and Goodell to court

NEW YORK (AP)—New England quarterback Tom Brady and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell are set to explain to a judge why a controversy over underinflated footballs at last season’s AFC conference championship game is spilling into a new season.

U.S. District Judge Richard M. Berman ordered the men to appear before him Wednesday at an initial hearing in Manhattan after the NFL sued the players union two weeks ago.

The league asked the judge to declare that it followed its players’ contract properly when it punished Brady after Goodell concluded he “knew about, approved of, consented to, and provided inducements and rewards” to support a scheme in which a Patriots’ employee deflated balls on game day. Brady insists he knew nothing about it.

On Tuesday, Berman asked Goodell and Brady, along with lawyers, to appear before him privately a half hour before a public court session. He said he wants to learn the status of negotiations. He also asked them to continue negotiating prior to the hearing. Brady was not at Patriots practice.

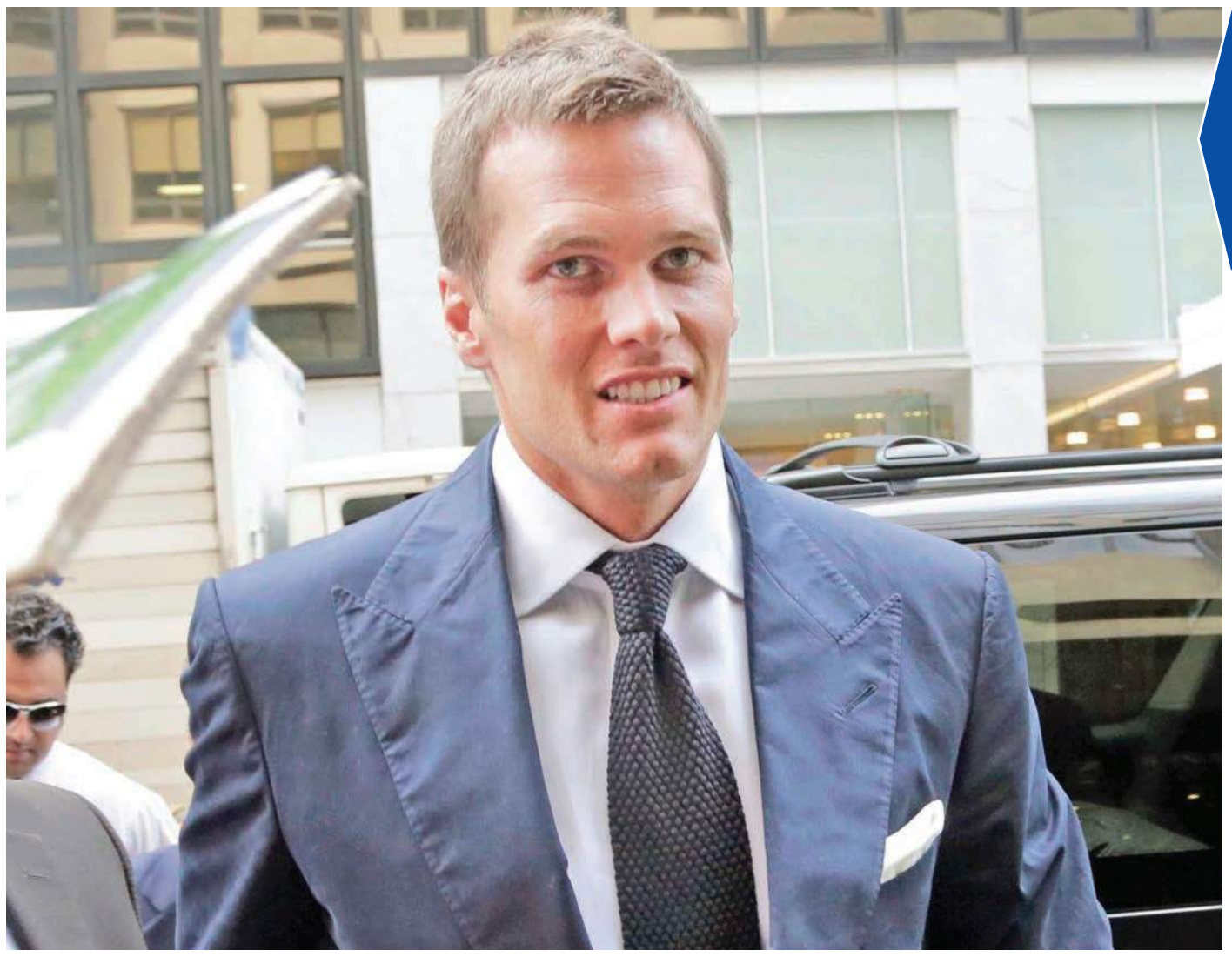
At a news conference in Illinois, Goodell said the league plans to cooperate fully with Berman.

In a July 28 decision upholding the suspension, Goodell heavily criticized Brady for having an aide destroy a cellphone containing nearly 10,000 text messages from a four-month stretch including the AFC championship, when the Patriots defeated Indianapolis 45-7, and the Super Bowl, which New England won.

He accused him of obstructing the NFL probe about a controversy that represented “conduct detrimental to the integrity of, and public confidence in, the game of professional football.”

In court documents, the union’s lawyers said the suspension was unfair and violates the labor contract and complained that it would cause irreparable harm to Brady by forcing him to miss games.

They called a June appeals hearing before Goodell “a kangaroo court proceeding, bereft of fundamentally fair procedures.”



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In this June 23, 2015, file photo, New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady arrives for his appeal hearing at NFL headquarters in New York. Judge Richard M. Berman will preside over a hearing scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2015, after the leag

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MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	61	50	.550	—
Toronto	62	52	.544	½
Baltimore	57	55	.509	4½
Tampa Bay	57	56	.504	5
Boston	50	63	.442	12

Central Division

Kansas City	68	44	.607	—
Minnesota	56	56	.500	12
Detroit	54	59	.478	14½
Chicago	53	58	.477	14½
Cleveland	52	59	.468	15½

West Division

Houston	61	53	.535	—
Los Angeles	59	53	.527	1
Texas	55	56	.495	4½
Seattle	53	61	.465	8
Oakland	51	63	.447	10

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

New York	61	52	.540	—
Washington	58	54	.518	2½
Atlanta	51	62	.451	10
Miami	45	68	.398	16
Philadelphia	45	69	.395	16½

Central Division

St. Louis	72	40	.643	—
Pittsburgh	65	45	.591	6
Chicago	63	48	.568	8½
Cincinnati	49	62	.441	22½
Milwaukee	48	66	.421	25

West Division

Los Angeles	63	50	.558	—
San Francisco	60	52	.536	2½
Arizona	56	56	.500	6½
San Diego	54	60	.474	9½
Colorado	47	64	.423	15

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Timberwolves’ Flip Saunders says he has ‘treatable’ lymphoma

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Flip Saunders had quite a challenge on his hands when he returned to Minnesota two years ago to take over the moribund Timberwolves.

Just as it appeared the franchise was starting to turn the corner, a new challenge has presented itself. And he plans to take this one on with as much determination and confidence as he has any other.

Saunders announced Tuesday that he is being treated for Hodgkins lymphoma, and his doctors consider it “very treatable and curable.”

Saunders was diagnosed with a cancer of the immune system two months ago and has been undergoing chemotherapy. He plans to remain the Timberwolves’ head coach and top executive while being treated.

“I am attacking this with the same passion I do everything in my life, knowing this is a serious issue,” he said in a statement issued by the team. “I also know that God has prepared me to fight this battle.”

The 60-year-old Saunders returned to the Timberwolves as team president in 2013. Last year, he replaced the retired Rick Adelman on the bench and the team finished 16-66.

Even while undergoing treatment, Saunders remained active with the team, overseeing draft workouts, selecting Karl-Anthony Towns at No. 1 overall and trading for Tyus Jones on draft night in June. He signed players including Euroleague MVP Nemanja Bjelica and veteran point guard Andre Miller to supplement a roster teeming with young talent.

He didn’t attend the Las Vegas Summer League, but has remained engaged and at the team’s new practice facility throughout the summer. Doctors have encouraged him to keep up with his daily business.

“Flip has kept me apprised of his cancer diagnosis and treatment,” owner Glen Taylor said. “He has my support as well as my thoughts and prayers for him and his family.”

As team president, head coach and a minority owner, Saunders has carved out a nearly unprecedented amount of power within the organization. His influence can be seen from the construction of the roster, the return of franchise icon Kevin Garnett and the drum line occasionally used during pregame introductions.

He will no doubt lean on his coaching staff—Sam Mitchell, Sidney Lowe, Ryan Saunders (Flip’s son) and David Adelman—as well as a front office team that includes general manager Milt Newton. But the organization doesn’t expect the diagnosis to get in the way, especially given that he has almost two months before training camp begins.

“It was emotional for me when Flip informed me of his battle as I consider Flip a very good friend who I love like a brother,” Newton said. “My family and I will support him and his family in any way we can. We will pray for his complete recovery and support him to the fullest.”

Saunders started informing friends about the diagnosis a few weeks ago and has since come to peace with the path ahead. He remained confident that he will be ready for training camp in October and healthy enough to handle the grind of the 82-game season that awaits.

“I am taking it step by step and day by day to understand how to best manage this process,” Saunders said.

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Philippines, Singapore, and Tokyo in the past years.

UFC gives slots to fighters in its events based on rankings and records. In an earlier interview with *Saipan Tribune*, Camacho, after beating Miura, said he was ranked second (contender) in welterweight and third in lightweight.

As for his record, the 26-year-old Marianas pride improved to 17-3, 13 of those wins were via knockouts. Since seeing action in the octagon cage in 2005, Camacho has won his first 10 bouts. His first 10 wins were recorded in Saipan’s Trench Wars (6) and Rites of Passage (1), Guam’s Geran Haga (1), PXC (1), and Universal Reality Combat Championships (1).

Camacho’s streak ended on July 12, 2007, when he lost to Luigi Fioravanti in PXC 12. He then went 2-1 in his next three bouts (won over Ryan Bigler in PXC 13 in November 2007; fell to Caloy Baduria in URCC 11 the same month; and prevailed against James Jones in UWC 6 in 2009) before going on a sabbatical for nearly four years.

The Guam-born, but Saipan-raised Camacho climbed back to the eight sides on Aug. 9, 2013, via PXC 38 and announced his return with a third round knockout win against Koshi Matsumoto. Camacho also won his next two fights in 2014 (versus Keita Nakamura and Jae Woong Kim) before bowing to Kasuya early this year.

“Despite of my two straight wins after I lost to Kasuya, there’s no room to relax. I will continue to train hard to get ready for more tough fights this year,” Camacho said.

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beat her 1:04.53). The Saipan Swim Club swimmer also earned PBTs in the 50m freestyle (29.74 seconds), 400m freestyle (4:45.74), and 50m backstroke (35.81 seconds).

Chentsova’s other events were the 800m freestyle (10:01.49), where she missed the podium only by a notch after placing fourth, 200m backstroke (2:45.200), and 200m individual medley (2:47.53). She marched into the finals of the 200m IM and surpassed her qualifying time after logging 2:45.56. The CNMI swimmer then concluded the tournament with a fifth place finish in the 3K open water swim where she registered 51:04.

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worked on their games,” Race said in a telephone interview with *Saipan Tribune*.

The 13 Commonwealth players leaving for Fiji earned slots on the North Pacific Team after placing in the Top 4 in the singles competition in the 2015 North Pacific Regional Championships in Guam last June, while Lee gained an automatic ticket to the POJC for ruling the U12 division of the competition last year.

Conatsu and Heras topped the girls U12 and U16 singles events in the regional tournament, while Tan and Schorr prevailed in the U14 age group. Sakano, Coume, Tsukagoshi, and Song were runners-up in their respective age groups, while the rest made it to the semifinals of their events.

The Kaga siblings also won the girls U12 doubles championship, while the pairs of Tsukagoshi and Heras and Tan and Miyawaki had the same fetes in the U16 and U14 divisions, respectively. Tuttle and teammate Maria Gregoire took the second place medal in the girls U12 doubles, while Sakano and Asia Raulerson and Steven Goodwin and Tudela brought home similar hardware in the U14 age group. Song and Schorr placed third in the U14 division, while Woo and Paik had the same ranking in the U12 category.

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CNMI junior tennis players off to Fiji

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Thirteen CNMI junior tennis players will leave Saipan for Fiji this morning to represent the North Pacific Team in the 2015 Pacific Oceania Junior Championships.

The list includes U12 players Coume and Conatsu Kaga, Ericka Tuttle, Ji Min Woo, and Seung Jin Paik, U14's Robbie Schoor, Ken Song, Vincent Tudela, Mimi Sakano, Tania Tan, and Malika Miyawaki, and U16's Isabel Heras and Ami Tsukagoshi. Joining the group in Fiji are coach Jeff Race and Northern Mariana Islands Tennis Association officials Lydia Tan and Jeff Schorr. The bulk of the CNMI delegation will also reunite in Fiji with Carol Lee, who has been in the host country for over a month, training at the regional facility. Guam, Palau, and the Federated States of Micronesia players will join the CNMI bets on the North squad that will battle the East and West teams in the annual competition.

ROSELYN B. MONROYO
Vincent Tudela returns to Ji Min Woo during a training session at the Pacific Islands Club tennis courts.

The POJC will run from Aug. 17 to 26 in Lautoka and Nadi.

Race said the 13 CNMI players competing in the POJC are all set for the tough matches in Fiji.

"I am so proud of this dedicated bunch of players. I and coach Luke (Beling) were off-island last month so our players trained on their own. It's very hard to train without a coach, but these kids stepped up and prepared hard for the tournament. They practiced consistently and

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NMISF OKs Chentsova's 200m free marks

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Northern Mariana Islands Swimming Federation has certified the records Victoria Chentsova made in the 200m freestyle event in last month's XV Pacific Games in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

"It's official! Congratulations to Victoria Chentsova for a record-breaking swim at the XV Pacific Games in Port Moresby," NMISF board member Carol Lynn Calobong-Pierce said in an email sent to *Saipan Tribune* early this month.

Chentsova completed the four-lap race in 2:14.06 to set a new CNMI national record and age group mark in the 17 to 18 division. She eclipsed the records (2:15.08 in the 17 to 18 age group and national) Xenavee Pangelinan posted on March 31, 2000.

Besides earning two marks in the 200m freestyle race last July 7, Chentsova also finished third in the qualifying heat to make it to the finals. She eventually placed fifth in the medal round after submitting 2:14.60. New Caledonia's Lara Grangeon (2:03.77) won the gold medal, while Fiji's Matelita Buadromo (2:08.41) and Lea Ricarrere (2:13.21) also of New Caledonia took the silver and bronze, respectively.

Meanwhile, Chentsova joined seven other events in last month's Pacific Games. She started off the competition with a personal best in the 100m freestyle (1:04.13 to

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The CNMI's Victoria Chentsova has her photo taken beside one of the posters for the XV Pacific Games in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, last month.

'The Crank' aims for more wins to reach UFC

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After his recent triumph in PXC 49, Frank "The Crank" Camacho is eyeing more wins that would move him closer to landing a spot in the Ultimate Fighting Championships in Korea later this year.

Camacho scored a first round knockout victory against Japan's Kengo Ura last Friday in Guam for his second straight knockout win this year. He earlier defeated Yasuaki Miura in the same fashion in Rites of Passage 18: Warpath last month for a fitting comeback from his loss (submission by rear-naked choke in the first round) to Yusuke Kasuya in PXC 47 last March 13.

PACIFIC XTREME COMBAT
Frank "The Crank" Camacho reacts as referee Donny Elvina steps in to stop the former's fight against the downed Kengo Ura of Japan during a lightweight bout in last Friday's PXC 49 at the University of Guam Fieldhouse.

"That 40-second knockout victory in the first round against Ura will definitely boost my chances to get closer to my dream of representing the CNMI in UFC. I am back on training and will work on getting more fights and more wins so hopefully I can get an opportunity to make it to the undercard bout in UFC Korea," Camacho said in a phone interview with *Saipan Tribune* last Tuesday.

UFC Korea will be held on Nov. 28 at the Olympic Park Gymnastics Arena in Seoul. It will be UFC's fifth stop in Asia since the biggest MMA event in the world had been to Macao,

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